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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

January 7. First Sunday after Epiphany. Communion.

John Irvine will preach on "Christ's Baptism--and Ours" from Matthew 3:13-17. Hymns will include "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" and "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face." New Deacons will be ordained and installed and officers and other Board members will be installed also.

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(Because the information is needed to complete the Annual Reports and because of the need for an early meeting of the Church Council, it will be necessary for Boards to elect their representatives to the 1990 Church Council promptly. The Board of Christian Education already has a meeting scheduled for January 4th. Members of the other three Boards--Mission, Deacons, and Trustees--are asked to remain after worship on January 7th long enough to accomplish this task.)

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January 14. Second Sunday after Epiphany.

Our pastor's sermon will be entitled "Two-way Trust" and will be based on Psalm 40 and Isaiah 49:1-11. Hymns will include "God of Our Life, Through All the Circling Years," "God Moves In A Mysterious Way," and "If Thou But Suffer God To Guide Thee."

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Dr. Irvine will be on study leave during the following week as a Tower Scholar at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. The Tower Scholar program is a brief course of intense, independent study during which a parish minister can pursue an individually selected project. Dr. Irvine has chosen "environmental theology" as his subject. The seminary library staff will prepare a bibliography for his use in pursuing that subject.

Tower Room Scholars spend six hours per day in independent study, and one and a half hours in a group seminar with a different faculty member each day. In the seminars, the pastors in residence are exposed to new currents of thought in the various disciplines that make up a seminary curriculum.

Dr. Irvine will leave Sunday afternoon and return Friday evening.

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP - continued -

The annual Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Service will be held this year at Cummings High School auditorium on Sunday, January 14th, at 7 p.m. The Rev. Wesley McLaughlin, a graduate of Elon College and presently a pastor in Petersburg, VA, will be the speaker. His theme is "Looking Over the Mountain." There will be a reception after the service.

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January 21. Third Sunday after Epiphany.

Beth Lyon will be preaching a sermon entitled "Come Into the Light" from Isaiah 9:1-7 and Matthew 4:12-23. Hymns will include "Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning," "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright," and "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne."

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The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held the evening of January 21st in the Parish House, beginning with a covered dish supper at 6:00 p.m.

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The printing of our congregation's Annual Report must be done the week of January 8th in order to be ready for the Meeting on January 21st.

If you have not turned in your Reports please do so before January 8th.

WHITE PARAMENTS IN USE

A new set of white paraments, a gift of the Brannock family, are in use on our pulpit and lectern during the seasons of Christmas and Epiphany. They will also be used from Easter until just before Pentecost, when the liturgical color is again white. These were given in memory of Dr. Ned F. Brannock and his wife Lula York Brannock, by Madge, Edith, Ruth Carter, York Jr., and Robert Ned Brannock.

White as a liturgical color stands for innocence of soul, purity, and holiness of life. It first comes into use in the liturgical year on Christmas Day, when the man of pure holiness before God, Jesus of Nazareth, enters the world.

The symbol on the lectern hanging is an anchor, representing hope and steadfastness in the Christian faith. The Biblical warrant for this symbol comes from Hebrews 6:19, which refers to the everlasting virtue of God's counsel: "We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul." Our faith holds the ship of the Church safe from being dashed on the rocks of history.

The symbol on the pulpit hanging is the familar "logo" of the United Church of Christ, our denomination: a blue cross superimposed on and above a blue orb and surmounted by a red crown. The orb is a circle symbolizing the world. The cross rises from its middle as if firmly rooted there, as if to say "This cross is what the world of sinful human beings inexorably brings forth when God comes among us, just as surely as the first child born grows up and murders his brother in the Genesis story"--or perhaps recalling Jesus' words in John 12:21: "And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." The cross and orb are blue, the color of the sky, which symbolizes truth (because "the blue always appears in the sky when the clouds are dispelled, suggesting the unveiling of truth"), or the color of the sky reflected in water, water symbolizing our baptism into Christ's death and resurrection. The crown is red to remind us of the blood drawn by the crown of thorns Christ wore. Its position directly over the cross reminds us of the close relation of the death of Christ to his Lordship, of the saying "No cross, no crown," and of the words from the UCC Statement of Faith, "the cost and joy of discipleship."

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT THANKS

Thank you to all who helped with the Christmas pageant this year. I'm especially grateful to Christy Rich, Jamie Brown, Amy Rose, and Beth Tickle who helped to get all of those animals, angels and shepherds on and off stage at the proper times. Without them there wouldn't have been a pageant! Thanks also to Willy Herold and Daniel Doyle who helped with staging and to Susan Hemphill who provided animal costumes and helped to "shepherd" the shepherds. Special thanks to Scott and Vega who managed to get baby Jesus to stop crying. Whose kid was that anyway? Great job everyone!

Beth

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ASSOCIATE PASTOR TO BE IN SOUTH CAROLINA WITH COLLEGE STUDENTS

During Elon College's January term this year, a group of students will be taking a trip to South Carolina and to Georgia to work with Habitat for Humanity. In SC they will be working with local chapters to repair damage done by Hurricane Hugo, and in Americus they will be working at Habitat headquarters. The campus Habitat chapter and our own Discover Fellowship are sponsoring the trip. I will be gone from January 6-13 assisting with the South Carolina portion of the trip. The group will be led by Chaplain McBride. Pray for the group while we're gone. We hope to grow in faith as well as being a useful presence in these areas.

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YOUTH EVENTS

The older youth will get together to make an Epiphany Banner after church on January 7. Bring a bag lunch and meet in the youth room.

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YOUTH - continued -

On that same day older youth have been invited by our friends at First Christian to a youth hang out night at That-A-Ways (behind the YMCA) from 5:45-7:00 p.m. Admission is free but bring money for food, drinks, and games. Meet at the church at 5:30 so a bunch of us can go together.

The younger youth will meet on Sunday January 14 and have a program on "Epiphany Journeys." We'll have some games and some food and talk about the months ahead.

On Sunday afternoon January 21, the older youth are sponsoring their second annual Parish House attic clean up. Anyone is welcome to come and lend a hand.

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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

The next Men's Fellowship breakfast will take place at 8:00 AM, Sunday, January 14 at the Parish House. Then, for the 1990 year we will stay on a quarterly basis- breakfast on the second Sunday morning each of April, July, and October.

In addition to our breakfast and the good fellowship, we have several items to talk about- clean-up day? Shelter? Meals on Wheels? softball? anything else? Ask anyone who has attended a breakfast meeting- he will tell you that we can get a lot of eating, talking, and talking <u>about</u> done in an hour's time- we get finished up by 9:00 AM, so that everyone can get on with whatever busy people have to do with the remainder of a Sunday morning. You are wanted and you are needed. See you there!

FUN CLUB MEETING JANUARY 9, 1990-- FIELD TRIP TO TV CHANNEL 2

WHEN CHANNEL 2'S WEATHERMAN, RANDY JACKSON, VISITED THE FUN CLUB ABOUT A YEAR AGO, HE INVITED US TO VISIT HIM AT CHANNEL 2 IN GREENSBORO AND WE ARE TO DO SO ON TUESDAY, JAN. 9, AT 11:00 A.M.

WE WILL FORM A CARPOOL, MEETING IN THE SOUTH PARKING LOT AT 9:45. TO ASSIST US IN TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE THOSE WHO PLAN TO JOIN TO NOTIFY ROBERTA, AT THE CHURCH OFFICE, NO LATER THAN MON. JAN.8(584-0391). (IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PICKED UP AT YOUR HOME, PLEASE LET ROBERTA KNOW).

ADVANCE NOTIFICATION IS NOT REQUIRED SO LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS ARE WELCOME. AFTER THE TOUR, OF 45-60 MIN. DURATION, WE WILL VISIT A LOCAL EATERY FOR LUNCH, BEFORE RETURNING TO ELON COLLEGE.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME--BRING A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR-- LET'S TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT A "COMMUNITY NEIGHBOR" !

EARL PARKER, PRES. FUN CLUB

Dead to Rights

At five I was even dazzled
By the dingy sidewalks of New York.
I clung tightly to the comfortable society
Of my parents' hands,
And suddenly I was caught dead to rights
By the still, gray-brown body sprawled entirely across the pavement.
With a hat over
His face-in-the-crowd
And his brown bag
The flawed why and wherefore of his plight,
My greatest fear was that he'd move or touch me,
Forcing me to recognize him as Jesus
Said of the least of these.
If I could have seen through him and gone around,
I would have;
But for those terrifying seconds I had to see him
To step over him.
Childlike curiosity of a Babe
Drew my eyes back to the blight
Of Toyland
Once or twice.

Beverly Ann Beyer

TORCHGLEAMS

Nancy Reddish is home after a short stay in the hospital for tests, and doing well. Her husband Paul lost some of his treasured greenhouse plants when the propane ran out during the recent cold spell, but he says his orchids are more hardy than is generally thought, and he hopes they will recover...

A recent phone conversation with Deanna Hammond revealed that the Hammond family is enjoying good health in Charlottesville and missing their friends and church here very much.

Allene Inabinett is now at Twin Lakes and is some better, we're delighted to report...Evella Sutton had cataract surgery in Greensboro January 2nd ...Ken and Lucy Hughes went to Gastonia to visit their daughter Kay Elder and her family for Christmas, and Ken wound up being hopitalized for breathing difficulties Christmas morning after a trip to the emergency room the previous evening. He was in intensive care for some time but hopes to be moved out of medium care into a regular hospital room this week. Cards or letters may be sent to him c/o the Elders, 3218 Gardner Park Drive, Gastonia, NC 28075 (704-864-7371)...Meanwhile his brother Leroy Hughes has had some bronchial problems also, forcing a delay in other treatments he was receiving...

Our sympathy to Kathleen and Gene Lankford in the death on January 1 of Kathleen's last surviving sibling, her older sister Bernice Ammons, in Mars Hill, NC. She was 88 and had been in a nursing hime for the last five years. Burial was January 3rd...

Estelle Willard writes, "I am deeply appreciative of the many prayers, notes, calls and genuine concern of members of the congregation during my hospitalization and extended recovery following extensive knee surgery. My recovery seems slow, but after much therapy, I am making better progress now."...

On December 29th Eleanore Kittenger's hip came out of its socket. It was successfully repositioned at the Moore County hospital and she hopes to return to the Penick Home where she lives in Southern Pines around January 4th. She is still in considerable pain from the mishap, according to her son Robert.

Torchgleams wishes all its readers a joyful 1990...

JANUARY CALENDAR

2 - 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

4 - 7:30 p.m. Choir
7:30 p.m. Board of Christian Ed

7 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

8 - 10:30 a.m. Circles 1 & 2
7:00 p.m. Circle 3

9 - 9:45 a.m. Fun Club
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
7:30 p.m. Circle 4

11 - 7:30 p.m. Choir

14 - 8:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship Breakfast
9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

15 - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group

16 - 7:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

18 - 7:30 p.m. Choir

21 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Annual Meeting

23 - 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

25 - 7:30 p.m. Choir

28 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

29 - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group

30 - 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

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The staff thanks the congregation for the holiday bonus checks we received, and wishes for all of you a prosperous and blessed 1990.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

2 - J. C. Dollar
Elizabeth Parker

3 - Dorothy Clem
Janet Mayse

4 - Betty Reynolds

6 - Hilda Oxford
John Truitt, Jr.

8 - E. W. Brafford
Audrey Shumar

10 - Martin Shotzberger
Emily Catherine Oxford

11 - Brian Rose

13 - Verona Danieley

14 - John C. Baxter

15 - Richard Daniel

16 - Shirley Alexander
Bonnie Kirk

20 - Jessie Hook
Eleanore Kittenger
Jennifer Poole

21 - Mark McAdams
Susan Barbee

22 - Bert Barbee

24 - Nicole Williamson

25 - Jennifer Timblin

26 - Page Edgerton

29 - Jamie Brown

30 - Leroy Hughes
Clara Noah

31 - Jim Underhill

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Greeters

Jan. 7	Page and Howard Edgerton	Mrs. Goldie Smith
14	Lorene and Jim Lyon	Mrs. Lewis Drumm
21	Susan and Bill Barbee	Mrs. Mary Shaw Cunning
28	Mona and Dee Atkinson	Mrs. Josie Huey

Flowers

Acolytes

Jan. 7	Willy Herold and Shawn McKenna
14	Emily Woody and Elizabeth Lohr-Myers
21	Tara McKenna and Elizabeth Comer
28	Matt Mayse and Chris Harris

Ushers

Jan. 7	Mike Mayse, Dee Atkinson, Travis Loy, Bill Barbee, Earl Parker.
14	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Robert Woody.
21	Ken Harper, David Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, Kristin, Wilkins.
28	Sibyl White, Willard White, Vic Vickers, Chris Vickers, George Troxler.

Nursery

Jan. 7	Kristin Wilkins
14	Wilma Williamson
21	Lou Harper
28	Phyllis Young

Children's Church

Jan. 7	Daniel Doyle
14	Beth Lyon and Brian Harper
21	Nancy Martin and Ryan Harris
28	Janet Mayse and Christy Rich

CHURCH ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER

3	174	24	122
10	95	31	112
17	116		

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The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held the evening of January 21st in the Parish House, beginning with a covered dish supper at 6:00 p.m.

January 28. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.

The sermon by Dr. Irvine will be on "Worldly Smarts and Heavenly Wisdom," from I Corinthians 1:18-31. Hymns will include "O Worship the King," "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine," and "High in the Heavens, Eternal God."

February 4. Fifth Sunday after Epiphany. Boy Scout Sunday.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "Ads for the Gospel" from Matthew 5:13-16. Hymns will include "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling," "Draw Thou My Soul, O Christ," and "Master, No Offering, Costly and Sweet."

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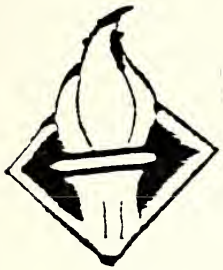

TORCHGLEAMS

Lillie Waugh gets to be the very first resident of a brand new senior citizen care facility in Greensboro. We will give you her new address as soon as we learn it...

Ann Martin has also moved out of her apartment to the Presbyterian Home of Hawfields south of Mebane. We wish both of these dear friends much happiness in their respective new situations...

Richard Daniel was happy that the doctors at the V. A. Hospital decided not to operate on him this last trip, as he has been feeling a good bit better...

Kenneth Hughes is still in the hospital in Gastonia. It was feared that he had a blood clot but X-rays did not reveal one. His daughter Kay who lives nearby is ill with flu and Ken will remain in the hospital at least until the flu bug has run its course and he can go to her home to recuperate. He has been feeling depressed and needs our prayers...

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JANUARY CALENDAR

18	-	7;30 p.m.	Choir
21	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		3:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
		3:30 p.m.	Youth Group
		6:00 p.m.	Annual Meeting
23	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
25	-	7:30 p.m.	Choir
28	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
29	-	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
30	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts

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YOUTH NEWS

The older youth will be having a Parish House attic cleanup Sunday, January 21 at 3:30 p.m. Pizza will be provided for hungry helpers and a lock-in will be discussed so wear your old clothes and lend a hand.

THE POETIC FLAME

This poem by John Hemphill was published recently in the newsletter of the Autism Society of North Carolina. It grew from an incident when he observed his 6-year old son Max, who has autism, at play. Its title is "Me in You."

In the shadows of the evening, I see your
little body swaying with the rhythm of
the tethered ball:
little hands holding the plastic bat,
little eyes following the flight of the
orange ball:
  a sun on a string
    orbiting the oak tree
      that centers the moment.

Your lively eyes track the ball
and you smile because you have found
the rhythm and know you are in control.

I stand and watch through the kitchen
window and see me in you.
That is so startling because I have begun
to live with you as the handicapped child
who never answers questions,
who never says hello or good-bye,
who only sings little songs
that mark simple comings and goings
of the day:

"This is the way we wash our hands,
  wash our hands,
    wash our hands."

I had taught myself that you were you:
  unique,
    imperfect,
      weak,
        and not a part of me.

But, in the swing of your bat as it guides
the rhythm of the tethered ball,
as the ball spins in circles around you
and you laugh and stroke it again,
sending it arching higher toward the
evening sun, for a moment, once again,
I see me in you.

NEW MEMBERS

The Comer family, which joined our congregation recently, is made up of Leonard, who is planning manager for Flynt Manufacturing in Hillsborough (though part of his time is spent at the Graham plant); Gayle, who teaches part-time English and tutors in the skills lab at Alamance Community College; Elizabeth, age 11, and James David, age 7, who are students at Elon College Elementary School. The Comers moved to 128 Westover Drive in Elon College last June from Asheville; previously they had lived in upstate South Carolina. Their telephone is 584-4696.

The family loves water sports: boating, swimming, fishing. Elizabeth also enjoys crafts and James David bike riding. The Comers have been taking an active part in our congregational life and Gayle is now on the Mission Board. Leonard's work often requires him to be in his plant at the hour for worship, but he attends when he can and comes to other congregational events. We salute this new family and welcome them to our fellowship.

In subsequent TORCH issues we will introduce other folks that have recently joined our congregation.

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

February 4. Fifth Sunday after Epiphany.

This is Boy Scout Sunday, and members of BSA Troop 51 and Cub Pack 51 will assist in worship in various ways. Cubmaster Dr. George Troxler will lead the Time With Children. Dr. Irvine will preach on "Only a Youth?" from the experience of the call of the prophet Jeremiah, recorded in Jeremiah 1:4-10. Hymns will include "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," "I Would Be True," and "Now In The Days of Youth."

February 11. Sixth Sunday after Epiphany.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "Filling Up the Law" from Matthew 5:17-26. Hymns will include "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty," "Soldiers of Christ, Arise," and "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee."

February 18. Seventh Sunday after Epiphany.

At the request of the Board of Deacons, Dr. Irvine will preach a sermon about worship and the way the various parts of a worship service fit together. Based on Isaiah 6:1-13, the passage describing the vision/call of the prophet, the sermon will be entitled "The Flow of Worship." Hymns will include "Holy! Holy! Holy!," "Draw Thou My Soul, O Christ," and "Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds."

LENTEN STUDY

Dr. Irvine plans to lead a series of Lenten classes entitled "Hymns: A Congregational Study," using recent materials developed by Dr. James R. Sydnor, the professor who taught Dr. Irvine hymnody. Advance registration will be required so the correct number of pupil's books may be ordered. The cost of the pupil's book will be $5.00.

These classes will be on six Monday nights from 7 to 9 beginning March 5th and ending April 9th. Please speak to the pastor or call the church office if you would like to register.

TORCHGLEAMS

Congratulations to Jim Lyon, who was named Realtor of the Year by the Burlington-Alamance County Board of Realtors at its recent annual banquet...

Sympathy to Melva and Sam Foster and Sara Dodson in the recent death of Sara's and Melva's auht, Miss Edith Stout, in Eden, on January 21st...and sympathy to Evelyn and Bill Terrell in the death of Evelyn's sister-in-law, Bea Rives, in Greensboro on December 23rd...

We're glad that Kenneth Hughes was able to leave the hospital in Gastonia and return to his home in Elon College to recuperate; and that Estelle Willard is back at work these days, though moving around painfully, after her knee replacement...Remember in your prayers our homebound folk Wilkes Lowe, Kenneth Clem, Elna Huey, and Kate McAdams...

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CHANGE IN PASTOR'S DAY OFF

Beginning in February, Dr. Irvine will be taking Wednesdays as his day off. Other days he is normally available in the office after 10 a.m. Fridays have not worked out well for him as a suitable day to take off.

Beth Lyon's normal schedule for being in the office will be all day Sunday and Wednesday mornings, plus (usually) Monday and Thursday evenings. She may be reached at her home in Durham by dialing 1-919-383-4503.

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THE POETIC FLAME

In the past two issues of the TORCH we have printed poems by two members of our congregation, Beverly Ann Beyer, a high school senior, and John Hemphill, a faculty member at Elon College. In this issue we share one by Gladys Hughes, retired schoolteacher and past president of the North Carolina Poetry Association. It is entitled "Susie's Jingle for Jumping Rope."

Elihu, Elihu!
Who is Elihu?
He's the boy
with the Buick bike.
His checked cat
wears a coonskin hat
and speeds along
on a Chevrolet trike!
How fast, Elihu?
How fast, Cat?

P E P P E R
P E P P E R
Pepper pod,
Pepper pot,
That's how fast!
This stuff is HOT!

Mama, Mama, come here quick!
Elihu and his Cat are sick!
Here comes Mama
With bottle and spoon--
drink it down! drink it down!
Get well soon!
10, 20, 30, 40 and 50!
Here they come feeling nifty!
Here's old Elihu on his bike!
Here's that Cat on his Chevrolet trike!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

3 - Anna Rose Law
Christopher Powell

4 - Jane Alexander
Minnie Stickles

5 - Phil Edgerton

6 - Mark Rinker

7 - Andy Baxter
Shannon Albertson

8 - Sharon Rinker

9 - Jane Hart Scroggs
Heidi Troxler

10 - Bobbie Scarlata

12 - Steve Perry
Barry Oxford

14 - Buddy Boyd
Leigh-Ann Denny

15 - Eugenia Wagoner
Mark Ellis

16 - Howard Loy
Joe Holt
Melissa Pendergrass

17 - Bertie Fields
Andrea Albertson

18 - Tina Powell

20 - Bertha Phillips
Caroline Powell

21 - Roland Longest
Brian Powell
Sarah Sharpe

22 - Carole Troxler

23 - Birdie Scott
John Pendergrass

24 - Dee Atkinson
Robert Terrell
Katie Poole

26 - Amy Vickers

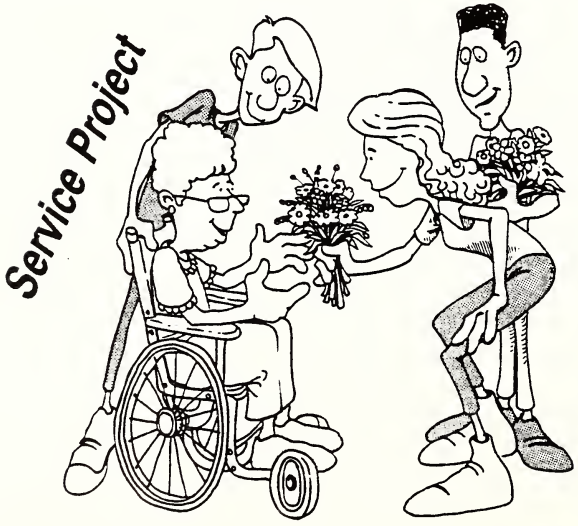
YOUTH NEWS

FRIDAY, FEB. 2

The Older Youth will be helping to serve dinner at the Homeless Shelter. We'll also be delivering the personal care kits. Please remember to bring soap or shaving cream. Meet at the Church at 6:30 p.m. We'll return by 8:30. Leaders will be Ray Covington and Chris Vickers.

SUNDAY, FEB. 4

The Older Youth are invited to That-A-Ways to hang out, listen to music, and play games (pool, etc.) with other area youth groups. The time is 5:45 (meet at the Church) until 7:00 p.m. Leader is Chris Vickers. Bring money for food and drinks.



SATURDAY, FEB. 10

The Younger Youth are going to call BINGO at Twin Lakes. Be at the Church at 1:15 p.m., we'll return by 3:15. There will be no meeting on the 11th.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

1	3:00 p.m.	Centennial Committee
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir
4	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	2:30 p.m.	Habitat House Dedication
	3:30 p.m.	" " "
	7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education
5	10:30 a.m.	Circles 1 & 2
	7:30 p.m.	Circle 3
6	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	7:30 p.m.	Circle 4
7	7:30 p.m.	Afterschool Committee
8	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir
11	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	5:00 p.m.	Board of Missions
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
12	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
13	10:30 a.m.	Fun Club
	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
14	7:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
15	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir
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FEBRUARY CALENDAR - continued -

25 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Church Council

26 - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group

27 - 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

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CHURCHMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Seven of our men, Biff Brafford, J. L. Dixon, Jim Griswold, Alfred Hurst, Ralph Oxford, Earl Parker, and Jim Underhill attended the Area Men's meeting at Concord UCC on Thursday, January 25. At this meeting, Biff Brafford extended an invitation for the Area group to meet at our church for its 7:00 PM October 25 meeting, and the Area group accepted the invitation. We look forward to having them meet with us. Earl Danieley has volunteered to organize the providing of the evening meal for these one hundred or so men. We all thank him!

At the Concord meeting it was announced that the April meeting of the Area group (to be held at St. John's UCC) will take place on the third Thursday in April (April 19) instead of on the usual fourth Thursday. This comes about because of a conflict in date with the meeting of the Southern Conference in Norfolk.

The next 8:00 AM breakfast meeting of our ECCC Men's Fellowship will be on April 8.

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THE PIEDMONT IRISH CHILDREN"S SUMMER PROGRAM is seeking families willing to open their homes and hearts to a catholic or protestant child, aged 9-11 from Northern Ireland for six weeks during the summer (June 15 - July 28). Each family may choose the age, sex and religion of a child. One parent must be in the home during the time the child is here. It is not necessary to have children the same age as the Irish child. For further information please call Mildred Horton at 228-6288.

NEW MEMBERS

Harvey and Fran Hook moved back to Elon College early last fall fron Princeton, NJ, where Harvey had spent over 37 years working in RCA's labs. Born in Atlanta, Harvey moved to Elon when he was ten months old and his parents (who were both graduates of Elon) came here, his father to be on the faculty. Fran was born in Oine, NC, and grew up in Norlina; her father was an E.C. grad also. They started college here in the same class, but service in the U.S. Army Signal Corps took Harvey away from campus for over two years, so Fran graduated in 1945 and Harvey in 1947. While attending Elon College, Harvey also worked at radio station WBBB. He went on to secure both B.S. and M.S. degrees in electrical engineering from N.C. State; and during his career at RCA he secured six patents and published over 30 articles. After college Fran worked as a bacteriologist for the health department in Wilmington for 4 years. They were married in 1949 and have a son and three married daughters, and seven grandchildren with an eighth expected in March.

Along the way the Hooks found themselves doing lots of volunteer work, especially in their Methodist church at Princeton. Across the years they led eighteen church youth teams to the southern mountains to assist in upgrading or constructing housing of poor people under the Appalachia Service Project. In 1976 Fran joined Contact, the American part of a world-wide movement known as Lifelines, a telephone crisis intervention group started in Australia by a Methodist minister in 1950. Fran became trained as a crisis hotline volunteer and before she left Princeton she was Director of Volunteers and Director of Volunteer Training for the Mercer County Helpline. After a while Harvey joined her in that movement and he is now on the national board of Contact, and speaks at meetings of local groups, of which there are a number in the Piedmont area. Fran has also taught sewing to inner city youth in Trenton and helped with meals and recreation for migrant workers, and provided them with rides for medical assistance.

Retirement does not seem to be slowing the Hooks down in any way from their busy life style. And we haven't yet mentioned their hobbies: for Harvey, personal computers and old cars; for Fran, embroidery and quilting (in which she's presently taking a course), and nature study with an emphasis on birds.

We welcome this fine family to our church; Harvey is now on our Board of Trustees, and Fran is on the Board of Missions. They live in the house Harvey's parents lived in (his mother, Minnie Hook, died in March 1989) at 514 East College Avenue, and their phone number is 584-5407.

LIGHT BULB SALE ON BOY SCOUT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1990

The Church will be honoring Boy Scout Troop 51 on Sunday, February 4th, This Troop, jointly sponsored by our Church and by the Exchange Club, has undertaken a fund raising activity involving the sale of light bulb packages. Many have been sold, but lucky for us, a few remain and we will be able to purchase some on Boy Scout Sunday, thereby brightening the lives of both ourselves and the worthy scouts! The bulbs, of excellent quality built by Philips, are available in either 60 or 100 wattage, packaged either 3 for $2.00 or 6 for $4.00. The profit will provide funds for various scout activities. Our Troop has been expanding and deserves our support.

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WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY - TO HELP YOUR CHURCH

Miss Josephine Farmer, in her will, provided for a bequest to the Elon College Community Church. The Board of Trustees was able to use the funds in painting the church building. If you have written in your will and have not provided for the church, you may do so using a codicil. Here is a sample of the wording for a codicil:

I,_____, of the County of Alamance and the State of North Carolina, declare this to be the first codicil to my Last Will executed by me on the _____ da of _____19____. I hereby alter and modify my said Last Will by adding the following bequest:

I bequeath to the ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH, Elon College, North Carolina, the sum of $_____ to be used to provide _____.

In witness whereof, I sign, seal, publish and declare this instrument to be the first codicil to my last Will, this the _____day of _____19____.

_____(SEAL)

Plus the statement of the witnesses and of the Notary Public.
[If you need further information, see or call Earl Danieley (584-2462) or Ray Covington (584-2377).]

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Plans have been finalized for the annual World Day of Prayer, sponsored by Church Women United, but open to all men and women. A moving program entitled, "A Better Tomorrow - Justice for All" is being planned, and was written by the Christian Women of Czechoslovakia. It will be held Friday, March 2 at 10:00 A.M. at Shiloh Presbyterian Church on Alamance Road in Burlington. A nursery will be provided.

Those who attend are asked to bring paper goods for use at the Family Abuse Center here in Alamance County. Items particularly needed are toilet tissue, napkins, paper towels, and paper cups (not styrofoam).

Marie Wilkins

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A FORMER RESIDENT OF ELON COLLEGE DIES

Mrs. Minnie Johnston Wilson, daughter of the late Charles D. and Ada Smith Johnston, died January 21, 1990 at the Oak Creek Retirement Center in Burlington, NC. The graveside service was held in Linwood Cemetery in Graham January 23. She was 82 years of age.

Minnie was a graduate of Elon College and the University of N.C., a high school teacher in NC. and N.J. Her husband died a few years ago.

She is survived by two brothers, Robert Johnston of Charlotte and Dr. James W. Johnston of Burlington; and two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Barney and Mrs. Sue Young, of Asheville, N.C.

Her father, Charles D. Johnston, was treasurer of Elon College for many years and Superintendent of The Christian Orphanage, now the Elon Homes for Children, for 33 years (1916-49), and lived in the house where Mrs. J. G. Truitt, Sr. lives.

W. J. Andes

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Greeters / Flowers

Feb.	4	Jean and Ed Simons	Mayse
	11	Jackie and Bill Pendergrass	L. Wilkins
	18	Lois Luke and Della Scott	McLelland
	25	Goldie Smith and Florance Smith	Wall

Acolytes

Feb.	4	Vega Herold and Lydia Troxler
	11	Elizabeth Mayse and Amy Rose
	18	Heidi Troxler and Jamie Brown
	25	Willy Herold and Shawn McKenna

Ushers

Feb.	4	Mike Mayse, Dee Atkinson, Travis Loy, Bill Barbee, Earl Parker.
	11	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Robert Woody.
	18	Ken Harper, David Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, Kristin Wilkins.
	25	Sibyl White, Willard White, Vic Vickers, Chris Vickers, George Troxler.

Nursery

Feb.	4	Brenda Butts	18	Andrea Albertson
	11	Lou Harper	25	Phyllis Young

Children's Church

Feb.	4	Carolyn Messick and Brian Rose
	11	Kim or Steve Perry and Rob Woody
	18	Maxine Rich and Katie Brown
	25	Sheree Smith and Jamie Brown

Church Attendance for January

Jan.	7	-	172	Jan. 21	-	132
	14	-	153	28	-	144

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

February 18. Seventh Sunday after Epiphany.

At the request of the Board of Deacons, Dr. Irvine will preach a sermon about worship and the way the various parts of a worship service fit together. Based on Isaiah 6:1-13, the passage describing the vision/call of the prophet, the sermon will be entitled "The Flow of Worship." Hymns will include "Holy! Holy! Holy!," "Draw Thou My Soul, O Christ," and "Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds."

February 25. Last Sunday after Epiphany.

Dr. Irvine's sermon will be entitled "The Pilgrim Principle;" the scripture is Matthew 17:1-9. Hymns will include "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun," "My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff," and "We Limit Not the Truth of God."

February 28. Ash Wednesday service, 7:30 p.m.
(See article on opposite page)

March 4. First Sunday in Lent.

Our pastor will preach on "Desert Discipline" from Matthew 4:1-11. Hymns will include "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah," "Beneath the Cross of Jesus," and "Jesus Calls Us."

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER ON FEBRUARY 18TH

The Board of Missions will sponsor our February supper; the program will be presented by the staff of Elon Homes for Children, explaining the CHIP II campaign which is under way this year. The meal will begin at 6 p.m. All are invited.

FIRST SENIOR CITIZEN LECTURE OF 1990

On Wednesday, February 21, at 10:30 a.m. in the Updyke Choral Center, Dr. Scott Thompson of the Education faculty at Elon College will give a talk entitled "Challenges in Education for the Coming Century." Plan to attend!

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE THIS YEAR

A special service is set for February 28th at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary for college, church, and community, using the new UCC liturgy for Ash Wednesday. Like the new service of confirmation we used in December, this liturgy attempts to recover some of the wealth of sign and symbol that are part of our heritage. Richard McBride and Beth Lyon have been planning the service. You're invited to this worship time which helps us begin Lent in a deeply spiritual way.

SIGN UP FOR PASTOR'S LENTEN STUDY BY FEBRUARY 22

Dr. Irvine's course on "Hymns: A Congregational Study," to be held on six consecutive Monday nights in Lent from 7 to 9 beginning March 5th, will utilize a student's book (price $5) which will need to be ordered, though not paid for, in advance. Please let the pastor or church office know if you plan to attend no later than Thursday, February 22.

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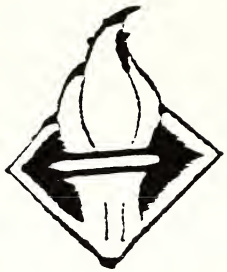

TORCHGLEAMS

Our deep sympathy to Mark McAdams, Lois Bost, Allene Inabinett and all the McAdams family in the death of Kate after a long illness on February 9th. Drs. Irvine and Andes conducted services here on the 11th; burial was in Magnolia Cemetery...

Bertie Fields is moving on St. Valentine's day to Greensboro, where she has an apartment in the Eastern Star facility. Bertie has been a most loyal, faithful, and perceptive member of our church for a long time and we will miss her presence in our midst dearly; but we are glad she is not moving any farther away! Her address will be 31F Ruth's Lane, Greensboro, NC 27407...

Lillie Waugh's address now is Greensboro Retirement Center, 3301 Gar Place, Greensboro, NC 27406. Her telephone number is 1-919-294-0627. The facility is brand new and very pleasant; it is also close to an interstate exit (take Rehoboth Church Road exit from I-85, go straight at end of ramp and follow marginal road to next street (Vandalia), turn right, and take the first right onto Gar Place; the Center is visible from Vandalia). She'd love visitors...

Mark and Margaret DeJournette are the proud parents of a baby girl, Katharine Margaret, who was born February 7th at 8:02 a.m. Little Katie weighed in at 8 lbs. 1 and 1/2 oz. Margaret is on maternity leave from her position as director of our After School Program; Susan Vickers is substituting for her for another six weeks. Congratulations!...And congratulations also to Faye McLelland Basto and her husband, Roger Basto, of Greensboro. Their third child and third son, Matthew Norwood Basto, was born on January 16th. He weighed 9 lbs. 12 oz. Grandfather Marsh McLelland is mighty proud too!...

Remember in prayer: Allene Inabinett and Sam Foster who are in County Hospital; Ann Martin who is back at Hawfields Presbyterian Home after surgery; Beth Wilkins and George Edwards, recovering after outpatient surgery; and Ken Hughes and Wilkes Lowe, ill at home...

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NEW MEMBER: MONA COVINGTON

Mona Carol Stadler was born in Florida, moved to Elon College when she was about 5, and to Burlington when she was 12. She graduated from Williams High School in 1984 and from Elon College in May of 1988. In August 1988 she and Ray Covington were married at Front Street United Methodist Church, where Mona had her membership. They live in Elon College and their phone number is 584-1585. Their mail address is P.O. Box 156, Elon College.

Mona works for Duke Power Company as a customer service representative and has spent time in several of the company's Alamance County offices. She takes graduate courses in English at UNC-G evenings and hopes to earn a doctorate and eventually teach in college. Mona enjoys reading literature. Her favorite sports are downhill skiing, dancing, and racquetball (she and Ray recently were winners in a mixed doubles racquetball league). Nor are this young couple daunted by leadership challenges! Two years ago Ray served as chairman of the Christian Education Board and his first year as a Board member. Now, in her first year as a Mission Board member, Mona is serving as its chairman, and on the Church Council. They also teach the youth class in our Sunday School. And outside the church, Mona is currently president of the Elon College Woman's Club. We salute this energetic and dedicated young woman and rejoice in the vibrancy she adds to our fellowship.

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ASSOCIATE CONFERENCE MINISTER RESIGNS

The Rev. Ervin Milton, Associate Conference Minister for the Eastern North Carolina Association for the past ten years, will begin a new work on March 1 as coordinator for the Southern Region for the UCC Office of Church Life and Leadership. He will leave his post on the Southern Conference staff on February 28th. He will, however, continue to work out of the Graham office, where additional office space will be built to house the OCLL office. Previously the region was served from an office in Atlanta. We thank Ervin Milton for his service to our Conference and Association, and pray God's blessing on his new endeavors. The Conference is setting in motion a procedure to secure a replacement.

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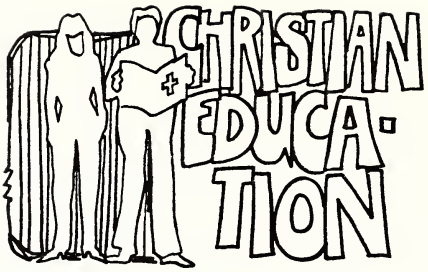

A new Church School Class is underway for college students. Beginning at the start of a new semester a group of students began gathering at 9:30 each Sunday morning in the Young Adult room. For six weeks we'll be using a film series entitled, "Questions of Faith?" Currently, the class has six participants and is led by Beth Lyon.

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The Older Youth will meet for a very important Pizza and Planning session at 12:15 on February 18 in the Youth Room.

FOR YOUNGER YOUTH

FRIENDSHIP will be the topic on February 25 when we meet at our regular time of 4 PM

Friends

Mark your calenders now for a pool party on Saturday March 24 from 5-7 pm. Plan to bring a friend to this special event at the YMCA.

THE POETIC FLAME

Here is another poem by Beverly Ann Beyer. Beverly has just been named salutatorian for the class of 1990 at Walter Williams High School in Burlington. This poem is entitled "Crossing the Lake":

Plunge headfirst into the icy waters
With a loud-handed smack,
No innertube of inequity
No nose plug to keep out Adam's ale
No goggles to shield painful sights
No rubber cap for sleek movement
No suit to prevent exposure.
Learn stroke by stroke, legs beating countless steps
Across a fathomless lake with unseeable shores.
Emerge every Sunday to gulp the sun-filled air
That only partially explains
Scarring turtles, tenderly tangling weeds, and rough-scaled fish.
If water pressure doesn't engulf in the murky depths,
Laps will lead to wearily lying down
Shrouded in a towel
On golden grass.

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Enclosed is my $20.00 fee for materials

I will need care for ___ child(ren) age(s) _____

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28	-	7:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service

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March 11. Second Sunday in Lent.
Dr. Irvine's sermon will be on "Adventuring at Age 75" from Genesis 12:1-8, the story of the call of Abraham. Hymns will include "The God of Abraham Praise," "Jesus Calls Us," and "My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff."

March 18. Third Sunday in Lent.
The sermon will be based on the story of Jesus and the woman at the well in Samaria from John 4. More details in the next Torch.

March 25. Fourth Sunday in Lent.
The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be received. The Rev. Beth Lyon will be preaching. (Dr. Irvine will be on vacation March 20-25; his mother will celebrate her 93rd birthday on the 24th.)

Thanks to Bill Blanchard for donating another wheelchair to the church. We now have four in the building. If you need to borrow one for a period, simply request it from the church office.

The Monday evening Lenten study offered by Pastor Irvine will not be held due to lack of registration.

Share the Struggle.
Share the Joy!

One Great Hour of Sharing

United Church of Christ

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

During Lent the Mission Board has suggested that we use this year the "Lenten Sharing Calendar" of the Heifer Project International, and you will find that calendar and the small folding carton that accompanies it stapled in this Torch issue. Heifer Project International (HPI) is a sister organization of CROP (Christian Rural Overseas Project); both are under the umbrella of Church World Service, which is our interdenominational agency for channeling relief and development funds collectively to avoid needless duplication. HPI's special function has been to channel livestock (from calves and bees to rabbits and chicks and fish) to help rural folk in developing countries improve their food supply and economic base. This should be an interesting way of engaging in a different kind of Lenten discipline. Read what your gifts can do at the bottom of the calendar. Plan to bring your offering carton to church on Easter Sunday to be dedicated. A further explanation of HPI's work is printed on the other side of this page.

Every year during Lent we also receive the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Offering, which this year falls on the last Sunday in March. This is a one-time offering; a flier concerning it is also included in this Torch. A short video picturing development work in the Dominican Republic assisted by OGHS funds will be shown for adult and youth Sunday School classes in the youth room at 10:05 a.m. on Sunday, March 4th.

HEIFER PROJECT INTERNATIONAL

Making A WORLD of Difference...

Love In Deed:
"Let us not love in word and in speech but in deed and in truth."
I John 3:18 RSV

The family of Francisco Martinez of Ezekiel, Honduras. The father holds his daughter, Esolinia, whose life was saved through the help of Heifer Project International.

"Because you have come, my daughter did not die,"

said Francisco Martinez to the HPI staff member visiting the Honduran village. His daughter had been diagnosed as malnourished—50% of the children there die before they are five—but milk from a Heifer Project International goat saved her life.

Standing tall with pride he said, "This week I have given my goat's first kid to another family so their child will not die!" Francisco's worldly goods were about two goats' worth, plus a yearly income of $100, yet he was giving away almost half of his net worth as he "passed on the gift" to another needy family.

Truly humbled, the staff member contemplated his own net worth and the obligation of a Christian to love not in words alone but "in deeds and in truth." "Loving truly" surely means to love in such a way that the person being loved is enhanced and not belittled by the gift. By giving Francisco the means to care for his daughter and asking him to help others, Heifer Project International is loving him truly and indeed!

Eighteen months later Esolinia, Francisco's daughter, was found to be a healthy, happy child, and he is a proud father. The first goat had multiplied and now he has seven, four of which are milking. And now he is giving milk to the village children as well as selling goat-milk cheese.

Heifer Project International really works, really does love in deed and in truth.

Heifer Project International is an ecumenical organization founded in 1944 with 118 projects in 34 countries and 12 states in the U.S. Each person helped by HPI passes on offspring of his or her animal to another family in need.

Member agencies represented on HPI's board include: Adventist Development and Relief Agency International, American Baptist Churches, Church of the Brethren, Disciples of Christ, Episcopal Church, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, Mennonite Central Committee, National Catholic Rural Life Conference, Presbyterian Church—USA, United Church Board for World Ministries, and United Methodist Committee on Relief.

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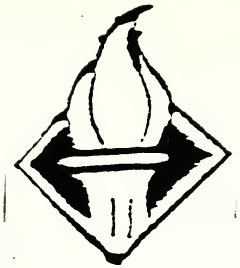

TORCHGLEAMS

Roberta Starr was amazed that the church could pull off a special event honoring her without her finding out about it in advance, but that's just what happened! Our church secretary was honored with a lovely plaque and a check to celebrate her ten years with us at worship on February 25th, followed by a reception afterwards in the Parish House. Though she was recovering from a bad cold (as are a number of us right now in this parish!) husband **Jim** had insisted she come to church. Thanks to **Mona Covington, Verona Danieley**, and **Nell Snyder** who engineered all these doings on behalf of a grateful congregation...

Congratulations to **Robin Woody** who was voted "Principal of the Year" in the Alamance County School System by his fellow principals recently...and to **Brian Rose** and **Rob Woody, sophomores at Western Alamance High School, who were recently honored with the Gold Bar award for making all As at a recent academic honors assembly...**

Just at press time word reached us of the death of **Wilkes Lowe the night of Feb. 26-27 after a long struggle with** cancer. Our sympathy to the Lowe family. especially to **Leffie** who is recovering after surgery at Memorial Hospital in Burlington...

Our sympathy to **Phyllis Young** and her family in the death of her mother, Mrs. A. B. C. Johnson of Wendell, NC, on February 16th...

Remember in your prayers **George Edwards** who is recovering from thyroid surgery, **Paul Cheek** recovering from cataract surgery, and **Sam Foster** who is home after a stay in the hospital...We're glad to report that **Ann Martin** is back at Hawfields Presbyterian Home after her recent surgery, has a congenial roommate, and sounded somewhat peppier than for some time in a recent telephone conversation...And remember in prayer **Mabel Veazey**, who will have surgery on her other knee on March 5th...

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GENERAL MEETING

The quarterly general meeting of the Women's Fellowship will be held Monday, March 5 at 10 a.m. in the Updyke Choral Center. The meeting will begin with a time of fellowship and refreshments, followed by a program on one of our Mission themes for the year. Ruth Dunn, our Missionary Education Chairman, is in charge of the program. Dr. Jeff Pugh, assistant professor of religion at the College, will speak on "The World of Islam". All are invited.

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THANKS FOR THE LOVELY SURPRISE!

And it was a surprise. I want to thank everyone in the congregation for making this day possible. I will remember it with fond memories for the rest of my life. When I think back it really dosen't seem like ten years although much has happened in the church during this time. I have made many good friends and have had the privilege of working with so many fine people. If I named everyone who has helped me over the years we'd have to put out an extra issue of the TORCH.

Thanks again for the recognition, the plaque, the check, the reception and especially for your love and kindness over the past ten years.

Roberta

MARCH CALENDAR

1	6:30 p.m.	Music Committee
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
2	10:00 a.m.	World Day of Prayer Service Shiloh Presbyterian Church
4	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	2:30 p.m.	Allied Churches of Alamance County Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
	4:30 p.m.	Budget Committee
	6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Executive Board Church Library
	7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education
5	10:00 a.m.	Women's Fellowship General Meeting
6	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
7	7:00 p.m.	Parenting Workshop
8	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
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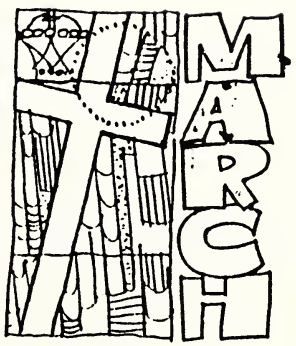
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
12	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
13	10:30 a.m.	Fun Club
	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
14	7:00 p.m.	Parenting Workshop
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
15	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
18	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	5:00 p.m.	Board of Missions



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MARCH CALENDAR - continued -

20 - 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

21 - 7:00 p.m. Parenting Workshop

22 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

25 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

26 - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group

27 - 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

28 - 7:00 p.m. Parenting Workshop

29 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1 - Ashley Oxford

3 - Martin Rose

4 - Scott Dill
John M. Irvine, Sr.

5 - Annie Ruth Parker

6 - Al Carpenter

8 - Andre' Wilkins

9 - Ann Maggio

10 - Patsy Oliver

11 - Carol Dollar
Eva McDaniel

12 - Vera Dixon

15 - Lee Ann Blanchard
Lucy Hughes
Jane McLelland Steadham
Michael Byers
Mary Lynn B. Redmond
Beverly Beyer
John Max Hemphill III

19 - William J. Andes
Faye Conally

20 - Kevin Artley
Evelyn Terrell
Kristin Powell

21 - Kim Perry

22 - Gerry Oxford

24 - Gertrude Irvine

26 - J. W. Matlock
Ken Harper

29 - Travis Loy

30 - Cary Matlock
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Enclosed is my $20.00 fee for materials

I will need care for ___ child(ren) age(s) _____

YOUTH NEWS

SUNDAY, MARCH 11: The Youth (grades 5 - 8) will be making a banner. The meeting is at 4 p.m. in the Youth Room.

Ready?

On, SATURDAY, MARCH 24 Youth in grades 5 - 8 will be having a pool party at the YMCA. Come and bring a friend. Cost is $2.00.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Greeters

Mar. 4	Hilda and Ralph Oxford	
11	Sibyl and Willard White	
18	Doris and Biff Brafford	
25	Verona and Earl Danieley	

Flowers

Foster-Dodson Family	
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Conall	
Braxton-Gabriel Famil	
A.M. Primm, Sr.	

Acolytes

Mar. 4	Emily Woody and Scott Williamson
11	Marie Acquilano and Elizabeth Lohr-Myers
18	Elizabeth Comer and Vega Herold
25	Tara McKenna and Heidi Troxler

Ushers

Mar. 4	Mike Mayse, Dee Atkinson, Travis Loy, Bill Barbee, Earl Parker.
11	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Robert Woody.
18	Ken Harper, David Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, Kristin Wilkins.
25	Sibyl White, Willard White, Vic Vickers, Chris Vickers, George Troxler.

Nursery

Mar. 4	Marie Wilkins	18	Ann Acquilano
11	Edith Shotzberger	25	Jackie Pendergrass

Children's Church

Mar. 4	Cile Welborn and Daniel Doyle
11	Marie or Jeff Wilkins and Brian Harper
18	Louis or Kristin Wilkins and Ryan Harris
25	Wilma Williamson and Christy Rich

Church Attendance for February

Feb. 4	-	178	18	-	150
11	-	158	25	-	146

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Pastors Emeriti
Rev. Beth Gassert Lyon,
Associate Pastor

THE TORCH

Published semi-monthly
during the weeks prior to
the first and third Sundays.

LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

April 1. Fifth Sunday in Lent.

Dr. Irvine's sermon will be on "The Set of the Mind" from Romans 8:6-11. Hymns will include "With Songs and Honors Sounding Loud," "Fight the Good Fight," and "Be Thou My Vision."

April 8. Palm Sunday.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "Strange Power Plays" from Philippians 2:5-11 and Matthew 21:1-11. Hymns are "All Glory, Laud, and Honor," "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!" and "At The Name of Jesus."

April 12. Maundy Thursday. 7:00 p.m.

Communion will be celebrated on this special night of Holy Week. Dr. Irvine's meditation will be on "Towel Service" from John 13:1-17. Hymns will include "My Song is Love Unknown," "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," and "My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

April 15. Easter Sunday.

Dr. Irvine will preach a story sermon on Matthew 27:62-28:15, entitled "The First Words of Easter." Hymns will include "Christ the Lord is Risen Today," "Lift Up Your Hearts, Ye People," and "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain." See elsewhere in this TORCH for a further description of our special music during Holy Week services.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

So far we have received in our OGHS offering $1,269.50. If you have not yet brought or sent in your OGHS contribution please do so soon. Last year's offering was $1,200 and the year before's was $1,283.

Also, remember to bring your completed Lenten Offerings for Heifer Project International to church on Easter Sunday for their dedication.

music for Lent and Easter

April 1. Fifth Sunday in Lent.

"De Profundis, clamavi" (Out of the Depths Have I Cried Unto Thee) will be the underlying theme of the music offerings for the last Sunday in Lent. Dr. Ten Eyck and Erik Stegall, trombonist will perform the "De Profundis" for Organ and Trombone by Gardner Read at the Prelude. The choir will feature Alan Hovhaness' setting of the same text at the Anthem for soprano, choir and organ.

April 8. Palm Sunday
The service will begin with the brilliant setting of "Litanies" by French organist, Jehan Alain. The choir will then sing the antiphonal Introit "Lift Up Your Heads, O Gates" by Hal Hopson followed by the Procession of Palms. The Anthems will include the great "Sanctus" from the St. Cecilia Mass by Charles Gounod and Sicut Cervus (Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks) by Palestrina. Guest soloist will be Kim Davis, soprano.

April 15. EASTER.
We are indeed fortunate to have members of the Elon College Wind Ensemble; David Long, trumpet, Erik Stegall and Frank Pugh, trombone, and Rudy Baker, tuba, under the leadership of Tom Erdmann, Professor of Instrumental Music, provide festival music for brass quintet this Sunday. They will perform Sonatas by Johann Pezel at the Prelude and Postlude and accompany the hymns with organ. The Solemn Procession will be "Enter His Sanctuary Singing" by Hal Hopson for brass, choir and organ. Anthems will include "Good Christian Men Rejoice and Sing" by Ernest Bullock and "He Is Risen" by Cecil Cope.

EGG HUNT

There will be an egg hunt for children on Easter Sunday at 9:30 a.m. following the Easter Breakfast. It will be organized by the Youth. Bring your own basket, please.

YOUTH NEWS

Sun., April 1 4 p.m.
There will be a regular meeting to finish our banner and plan the egg hunt.

Sun., April 15 9:30 a.m.
Egg Hunt for Children.

Sat., May 5
Trip to Carowinds

MOM'S MORNING OUT

We have six Moms and eight children enrolled in our new Mom's Morning Out program. It will be held on Wednesday mornings beginning April 4. Staff person will be Martha Pearsa

TORCHGLEAMS

Congratulations to **Patsy and Eddie Oliver** (and grandparents **Jim and Nora Griswold**) on the arrival of young **Nathaniel Brent Oliver** March 5th. He weighed in at 7 lbs. 12 oz....

Kenneth Stickles, husband of Minnie Turner Stickles and stepfather of **Lorene Lyon**, had open heart surgery for replacement of a valve on February 26th at Miami Heart Institute in Miami, FL. He faces a long recuperation period and is improving slowly but steadily...

Mable Veazey is home from her second knee operation and making good recuperative progress. She wants TORCHGLEAMS to thank all her friends for their expressions of kindness--calls, visits, flowers, etc., during her recent hospitalization and since....**Elizabeth Braxton** fell at home on March 25th and broke her hip; she is in Pascack Valley Hospital...**Dr. Al Hurst** is up and about after his recent illness, we're glad to see...

Our sympathy to **Dolores Truitt** and her family in the death of her father, William A. Johnson, on March 16th...

We had a letter from **Deanna Hammond** in Charlottesville recently. She is very busy serving as office manager for two companies working out of the same office. Little Alisha began walking on New Year's Day and now has a vocabulary of six words. The other children are adjusting well to their new situation. Doug is still temporarily working in construction. They hope to visit down this way before long...

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE CAMPS
1990

JUNIOR AGE

Beginners Camp (grade 3)
July 8-11 Johns River

Junior Age 1 (grades 4-6)
June 24-30 Johns River

Junior Age 2 (grades 4-6)
July 15-21 Johns River

Junior Age 3 (grades 4-6)
July 22-28 Franklinton Center

Junior Age 4 (grades 4-6)
August 12-18 Brethren Woods

Music Camp (grades 4-6)
August 5-11 Johns River

Explorers Camp (grades 5-6)
July 8-14 Johns River

SENIOR HIGH

Work Camp (grades 9-12)
June 17-23 Johns River

Outpost High Adventure (grades 9-12)
June 24-30 Johns River

Senior High 1 (grades 9-12)
July 15-21 Franklinton Center

Senior High 2 (grades 9-12)
July 22-28 Johns River

JUNIOR HIGH

Junior High 1 (grades 7-8)
July 15-21 Franklinton Center

Junior High 2 (grades 7-8)
July 29-Aug. 4 Johns River

Outpost Adventure Camp (grades 7-8)
July 15-21 Johns River

Junior High 3 (grades 7-8)
August 12-18 Brethren Woods

Shenandoah Travel Camp (grades 7-8)
July 8-14 (points north)

YOUNG ADULTS

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July 1-3 Johns River

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TIME CHANGE SUNDAY, APRIL 1

"Spring ahead, fall back!" That means we can lose an hour's sleep this Saturday night/Sunday morning as we go through the annual changeover to Daylight Saving Time.

If past experience is any guide, we will have some well-rested folk showing up about the time worship ends to begin worship this coming Sunday (or arriving an hour late for Sunday School). Don't let yourself be one of them! Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday night, and consider making up that lost hour of sleep on the front end so you'll be alert for worship.

CENTENNIAL NOTES

We begin our Centennial celebration at 7:30 p.m. on April 2nd, with a Clergy Memorial lecture by Pastor Alfred Radeloff of Dessau, East Germany. The next special Centennial event will be our May 27th Communion service, at which we will use the original communion ware of the church. There is a wonderful story concerning this original communion set, and we will be serializing it in the TORCH issues from now to mid-May. This is copied from a document in the church's archives.

HOW THE CHURCH AT ELON COLLEGE GOT ITS FIRST COMMUNION SET

Part I

To understand this little story you must know three things: (1) when the year 1890 dawned, there was a little girl with gumption and a kind heart in the eastern North Carolina town of Selma; (2) the Christian Sun [our denominational weekly] of that day had a column for children known as ther Children's Corner, largely made up of letters written in by youngsters in the Christian Church [and whose correspondent at the paper changed from time to time]; and (3) Elon College opened its doors Sept. 2, 1890; the Elon Christian Church was organized April 22 [our other documents all say April 19], 1891. The church had few members and slender resources. Now we take up the letters

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to the Children's Corner which tell the whole story. The first ones show the temperament of this little girl. [The letters also reflect the strong sense of "family" in the Southern Christian Convention; the paper's correspondent with children is "Aunt ____" or "Uncle ____", and the children who write in speak of each other as "cousins" though they may be quite unrelated.]

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Selma, N.C., January 12, 1890

Dear Aunt Minnie:--

I am a little girl, 9 years old. I want to join the little Band of workers. We have no Christian Church down here, so we all go to the Methodist Church. How I wish we had a Christian Church here. Enclosed you will find one dollar. I made it selling chickens.

Fondly,
Margaret Etheredge

(Christian Sun, January 23, 1980, p. 4)

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Selma, N.C., April 19, 1890

Dear Aunt Minnie:--

I will try to write to-day for the Corner. My hen has thirteen little chickens. I hope I will do better than I did last year with her. I am so glad to see so many letters in the Corner. Aunt Minnie, I am a little "Bright Jewel," one month ago our lady manager gave twelve of us ten cents to see how much we could make with it, two of the girls made five dollars apiece. I made third best. I made two dollars fifty cents. I was sick all of the first of the month, and so I could not go to work. Don't you think it would be a good plan for the cousins to take ten cents and see how much they could make with it. Mama says she will give me ten cents to begin with, how many of the cousins are willing to try my plan? I will ask the little cousins a question: How long did Saul reign over Israel?

Your fond little niece,
Margaret A. Etheredge

(Christian Sun, May 1, 1890, p. 4)

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CENTENNIAL NOTES (concluded)

Selma, N.C., June 13, 1890

Dear Uncle Harry:--

I will write a letter for the Band this evening. The reason I haven't written sooner, I was waiting to send the money that I got for my chickens. My hen did well, she raised twelve chickens, and now I send you $1.65. She is setting again, I hope she will do as well as she did before. Aunt Minnie asked me to write and tell the cousins how I made my money, I took my ten cents and bought one yard of white lawn and madeties for gentlemen, and sold them. I then bought goods and made aprons and bonnets and sold those. It is a good way to make money for the Band, and I hope the cousins will try it, I also hope little Addie will soon be well. I will close with much love to you and the members of our little Band.

Your little niece,
Margaret A. Etheredge

(Christian Sun, June 26, 1890, p. 4)

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Selma, N.C., June 1st, 1891

Dear Uncle Barry:--

I have been wanting to write to the Corner for some time, but we were sick so long with the measles and then I went back to school and was very busy. Our school closed a week ago and we had a picnic, we went about five miles on wagons, it made me very sick and I have been sick ever since but I am up now. Hope your trip to Virginia will benefit you and you can come back to the Corner. Uncle Barry, I have a proposition to make to the cousins, and want to know what you think of it. I want to know how many will join me in raising money to buy a communion set for Elon College, now each can do something, some can beg their money, and some can work for it. I get mamma to make loaf bread and candy for me, and I take it to those who like bread and they give me five cents a loaf, and nearly every one buys candy, a penny a stick....

Fondly,
Margaret Etheredge

(Christian Sun, June 11, 1891, p. 215)

"THE HOLINESS OF CREATION"

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Program Features:
"Creation and Un-creation"
"The Wind of Change"
"Fire of the Spirit"

Tuesday, April 10
7:30 pm
Elon College Community Church

A Holy Week reminder of our responsibility to care for the gifts of creation.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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Dear Members of the Elon College Community Church

We are starting a new program in conjunction with the deacons of our church. Our "in-care" or shepherding program has been designed so that we can maintain better contact with our members and minister to their needs more effectively.

Each of our members (or family unit) will be assigned a deacon/shepherd beginning in April. This person will be in contact with you on a regular basis. If there is any way in which he/she can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to let him/her know. The church will do its best to see that your needs are being met.

We are looking forward to the initiation of our program. We have a group of dedicated deacons and volunteers and believe that it will bring new energy and vitality to our fellowship.

Thanks for your cooperation and help in our new venture!

The In-Care Committee

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TUESDAY
APRIL 24, 1990
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Elon College Community Church - Building Fund
Lois M. Bost
March 24, 1990

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD ENDING
Feb 28 1990

	1989 ACTUAL	1990 BUDGET	BUDGET TO DATE	ACTUAL TO DATE
SOURCES OF INCOME				
Total Pledged Income	114,762.85	115,002.00	17,500.30	15,409.98
Total Special Contributions	7,730.14	6,660.00	291.00	389.76
Total Loose Offerings	2,779.09	3,000.00	450.00	407.77
Total Interest Earned	1,278.35	1,045.00	0.00	10.80
Total Fund Raising	302.45	550.00	0.00	0.00
Total Rental Income	2,736.85	4,100.00	150.00	275.50
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	1,944.88	1,715.00	358.00	185.52
TOTAL REVENUE	131,534.61	132,072.00	18,749.30	16,679.33
EXPENDITURES				
Total Local Mission	3,165.58	4,600.00	204.00	337.98
Total UCC Ministries	15,910.57	17,550.00	2,800.00	1,000.00
Total World Ministries	1,360.00	2,650.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Mission Expense	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL MISSIONS	20,436.15	24,850.00	3,004.00	1,337.98
Total Worship Services	1,507.06	860.00	0.00	204.17
Total Evangelism	468.37	500.00	38.00	115.32
Total Music Programs	10,902.76	10,612.00	1,489.92	1,527.00
TOTAL WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM	12,878.19	11,972.00	1,527.92	1,846.49
Total Program - Christian Ed.	4,386.20	4,700.00	315.00	499.44
Total Personnel - Christian Ed.	9,835.32	11,042.00	1,670.72	1,785.22
TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	14,221.52	15,742.00	1,985.72	2,284.66
Total Building Expense	26,612.47	28,140.00	7,516.00	7,221.50
Total Personnel	7,090.46	6,368.00	1,018.88	1,146.98
Total Operating Expense	2,013.54	1,925.00	252.00	233.63
TOTAL CHURCH FACILITIES	35,716.47	36,433.00	8,786.88	8,602.11
Total Program	299.16	320.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personnel	46,778.96	48,315.00	6,313.76	6,075.96
Total Operating Expense	350.51	350.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL LEADERSHIP	47,428.63	48,985.00	6,313.76	6,075.96
TOTAL OTHER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	130,680.96	137,982.00	21,618.28	20,147.20
EXCESS/(DEF) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE	853.65	(5,910.00)	(2,868.98)	(3,467.87)

CALENDAR FOR APRIL

1	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		4:00 p.m.	Youth
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education
2	-	10:30 a.m.	Circles 1 & 2
		3:30 p.m.	Centennial Committee
		7:30 p.m.	Circle #3
3	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
		7:30 p.m.	Clergy Memorial Lecture
		7:30 p.m.	Circle #4
		7:30 p.m.	Afterschool Committee
4	-	7:00 p.m.	Parenting Class
5	-	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
7	-	10:00 a.m.	Personnel Committee
		11:00 a.m.	Car Wash
8	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
9	-	7:30 p.m.	Music Committee
10	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
11	-	7:00 p.m.	Parenting Class
		7:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
12	-	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
15	-	8:30 a.m.	Easter Breakfast
		9:30 a.m.	Egg Hunt
		9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service

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APRIL CALENDAR - continued -

17	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
19	-	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
20	- 22		Discover Fellowship Retreat
22	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		4:00 p.m.	Church Council
24	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
26	-	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
26	- 28		Southern Conference Annual Meeting Norfolk, Virginia
29	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship

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LABELS FOR ELON HOMES

Our label container was recently emptied and 271 labels turned in to Elon Homes. Besides Campbell Soups, products with several other brand names (Swanson, Marie's, Pepperidge Farm, Mrs. Paul's) count toward this program which benefits Elon Homes. Please pick up a blue sheet from the Narthex or the church office to see the full list and what to save from each. For soups and other canned products, at least the whole front portion must be saved. (Over 100 additional smaller portions were turned in last time and these could not be counted.) Thanks for your help. Let's make every label count!

STER BREAKFAST

peated from the previous issue of the TORCH, with more detail
ded: EASTER BREAKFAST - 8;30 AM, SUNDAY, APRIL 15 - PARISH
USE. Bring your family and enjoy the culinary efforts of E. W.
afford, Ray Covington, Tom Conally, Earl Danieley, Earl Parker,
uis Wilkins and others. Since these men need to know how many
rsons to prepare for, attendees are asked to use the
servation form enclosed in this issue of the TORCH (also
ailable at the April 1 and April 8 Worship Services) to
idicate the number of persons to be expected from each attending
mily. At the breakfast a donation will be received to cover
penses. Please place your completed reservation form in the
fering plate at the April 1 or April 8 Worship Service, or else
ve the information to the Church Office (584-0391) by April 9.
lcome!

Paul Cheek for the Men's Fellowship.

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

EASTER BREAKFAST

8:30 a.m. Parish House

Please make _____ Easter Breakfast reservations for me and my family.

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A donation will be received to cover expenses.

THE CAR WASH TO BENEFIT ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SPONSORED BY THE YOUTH HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 7 FROM 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M. SO BRING YOUR DIRTY CAR ON OVER TO THE CHURCH PARKING LOT.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

	Greeters	Flowers
Mar. 1	Janet and Mike Mayse	Snyder
8	Maxine and Floyd Rich	Kittenger
15	Patricia and Robin Woody	Atkinson Family
22	Page and Howard Edgerton	Andes
29	Jackie and Cary Matlock	Simpson

Acolytes

Mar. 1	Matt Mayse and Chris Harris
8	Lydia Troxler and Scott Williamson
15	Elizabeth Mayse and Marie Acquilano
22	Willy Herold and Shawn McKenna
29	Emily Woody and Elizabeth Lohr-Myers

Ushers

Mar. 1	Mike Mayse, Dee Atkinson, Travis Loy, Bill Barbee, Earl Parker.
8	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Robert Woody.
15	Ken Harper, David Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, Kristin Wilkins.
22	Sibyl White, Willard White, Vic Vickers, Chris Vickers, George Troxler.
29	Ed Simons, Jeff Wilkins, Walter Boyd, Jim Lyon.

Nursery

Mar. 1	Heidi Danieley	22	Wilma Williamson
8	Betty Blanchard	29	Janet Mayse
15	Phyllis Young		

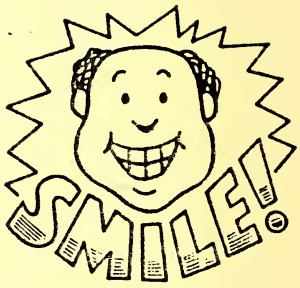
Children's Church

Mar. 1	Sue Brown and Brian Rose
8	Brenda Butts and Rob Woody
15	Lou Harper and Katie Brown
22	Jamie Brown
29	Beth Lyon and Daniel Doyle

Church Attendance for February

Feb.	4	-	145	18	- 126
	11	-	147	25	- 120

WORLD HISTORY ACCORDING TO STUDENT BLOOPERS



Without the Greeks we wouldn't have history. The Greeks invented three kinds of columns - Corinthian, Doric and Ironic. They also had myths. A myth is a female moth. One myth says that the mother of Achilles dipped him in the River Styx until he became intollerable. Achilles appears in The ILLIOD, by Homer. Homer also wrote THE ODDITY, in which Penelope was the last hardship that Ulysses endured on his journey. Actually, Homer was not written by Homer but by another man of that name.

Socrates was a famous Greek teacher who went around giving people advice. They killed him. Socrates died from an overdose of wedlock.

In the Olympic Games, Greeks ran races, jumped, hurled the biscuits, and threw the java. The reward to the victor was a coral wreath. The government of Athens was democratic because people took the law into their own hands. There were no wars in Greece, as the mountains were so high that they couldn't climb over to see what their neighbors were doing. When they fought with the Persians, the Greeks were outnumbered because the Persians had more men.

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Rev. Beth Gassert Lyon,
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THE TORCH

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

April 12. Maundy Thursday, 7:00 p.m.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed. Dr. Irvine's meditation will be entitled "Towel Service"; the Scripture is John 13:1-17. Hymns will include "My Song Is Love Unknown," "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

April 15. Easter Sunday, 11:00 a.m.

"The First Words of Easter" is the subject of a story sermon on Matthew 27:62-28:15 by Dr. Irvine. Easter hymns will be "Christ the Lord is Risen Today," "Lift Up Your Hearts, Ye People," and "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain." Special music will be provided by a brass quintet made up of members of the Elon College Wind Ensemble.

April 22. Earth Day.

In celebration of the 20th anniversary of the first Earth Day, Dr. Irvine's sermon will be "Taking Care of Holy Ground." The Scripture will be Proverbs 22:22-23, 28 and Isaiah 5:1-16. Hymns will include "All Creatures of Our God and King," "Fairest Lord Jesus," and "Praise to God, Immortal Praise."

April 29. Second Sunday after Easter.

The Rev. Beth Lyon will preach a sermon on Luke 24: 13-35. The scripture lesson is the familiar Emmaus road story about the two disciples who encounter the risen Lord. We'll have the chance to encounter Him also in a special post-Easter communion. Hymns include "Joy Dawned Again," "Come Risen Lord," and "God Be With You."

TORCHGLEAMS

Congratulations to **Al Carpenter** who was recently promoted to Associate Professor at Elon College. Al teaches computer information science and math...Did you catch that picture of **R. J. Acquilano**, District Manager of H & R Block in Alamance County, serenely typing in information to a computer in the midst of the hectic tax season, in the Alamance News? We're glad he's keeping his cool about taxes! Ah, professionalism. It's wonderful...

Dr. **Richard Cheek** is Area Conference Minister for the Western North Carolina Association of the Southern Conference; he lives in Salisbury. He recently underwent heart bypass surgery and his recovery is progressing normally, we're glad to hear...

Recent confirmand **Christie Rich** is recuperating from a tonsillectomy on April 10th...**Jim Scott** is much better after his recent fall at work and especially appreciates the phone calls he received from church folk asking how he was getting on; he slipped on a puddle on the floor and ended up being examined at the emergency room but was sent home... **Elizabeth Braxton** is now at Twin Lakes recuperating from a broken hip...**Sara Dodson** is recovering at home after throat surgery at Duke on April 4th...We're glad to hear of **Ken Stickles'** continued progress after open heart surgery in a Miami hospital. Remember these folks' recovery in your prayers, and also the recovery of **Gayland Welborn's** mother **Nancy Welborn**, who lives near Madison and who underwent surgery for cancer at Moses Cone Hospital April 10th...

Ann Martin now has a room of her own at Hawfields Presbyterian Home and is coming along well, we're glad to say...There is joy at the home of **Jim and Lorene Lyon**; they have a new granddaughter, **Briana Nicole Lyon**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **J. Keith Lyon** of Pembroke Pines, Florida. She was born on March 29th and weighed 6 lbs. 3 oz...

"BIFF" BRAFFORD RETIRES

After forty years of service, E. W. Brafford retired on March 31st from the North Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Services. His co-workers honored him with an "Evening to Remember" at Bakatsias Restaurant near Haw River on April 6th. Twenty people spoke of his dedicated service to citizens with handicaps in our state.

"Mr. Brafford," as everyone called him, began work as a Rehabilitation Counselor on February 1, 1950, in the Greensboro office. He was assigned to Alamance, Rockingham, Caswell and Randolph Counties. "Mr. Brafford" served as a member of the management team in the North central Region for approximately twenty-five years, with the titles of District Supervisor, Rehabilitation Supervisor, and Quality Development Specialist.

Those present let him know that they were proud to have known and to have worked with him over the years. Although they will miss him, his influence on services to our citizens with handicaps will remain. We in Elon College know that he will be busy with gardening, woodworking (after receiving some special tools as a gift from his co-workers), bee-keeping, Church and Exchange Club activities. "Biff," we are glad you are one of us, and best wishes for an happy and productive retirement!

W. J. A.

PASTOR AWAY IN LATE APRIL

Dr. Irvine will be taking some vacation time beginning Tuesday, April 24th. He will be visiting family members and going to Philadelphia for his annual eye examination. He will return Sunday evening, April 29th.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING UPDATE

We have received so far $ 1,550.75 for this year's OGHS offering. Several weeks ago, Cile Welborn, one of our newer members, gave this moving testimony at morning worship, and we asked her if we could reprint it for wider circulation. Cile grew up in Brazil, the daughter of Presbyterian missionaries.

A MISSION MOMENT by Cile Welborn

As a member of the Mission Board, I have been asked to speak to you about One Great Hour of Sharing. I do so gladly because mission work is something I hold dear to my heart. I am probably one of the few members of this church to be an eyewitness to the effects mission sponsored work can have on the people it serves. For nearly 12 years I was lucky enough to see countless lives enriched as a direct result of a missionary or mission project.

Have you ever looked into the eyes of a young boy and seen nothing but a hopeless expression full of despair? Eyes holding not one hint of a sparkle, not one glimmer of hope. Just a dead expression shadowing a dead spirit brought about by years of poverty, of hunger, and of living in filthy conditions? Well, I've seen those eyes.

Once, I can remember walking with my mother into a tiny shack and hearing a slight whimpering coming from behind a curtain. We drew the curtain and found a young mother sitting beside a little girl who was obviously close to death. The mother just sat there offering her dying child nothing, no medicine, no doctor, no trip to the hospital. The only comfort she provided was a caress to her forehead.

I will never forget the 19 year old beggar who crawled to me on his hands and knees, touched my arm, and asked me for some money to buy some food. His legs were completely deformed, bent at the knees, sticking straight up behind him, pointing to the sky.

Who is going to help people like these? The government of the country in which they live? I'm afraid not. Most of the third world governments are too corrupt or too poor to even take care of their own, much less the poor folks. Maybe the rich people, because there are rich families in these countries. Maybe they'll help. I never observed much charity. Unfortunately their only concern is how to get richer and they tend to ignore or even detest the poor. Who'll help them? Probably nobody. Unless of course they're lucky and there happens to be a missionary in the area, or an organized church nearby, or a church sponsored relief program within walking distance.

Did anyone help these three people I mentioned earlier? Yes, someone did. My father and mother helped them. They were missionaries in Brazil and for 30 years they worked tirelessly for the people.

The young boy with the sad, sad eyes began coming to our church, walking hours to get there. Soon we could expect to find him waiting for us every Sunday as we came to open up. When we'd arrive he would run to our jeep and literally start jumping up and down with joy at the thought of being surrounded by people who cared. I remember when the congregation bought him a Bible for his birthday. He came to the front, held it in his hands, and it was as if he was holding a block of gold--his eyes shimmered, his face beamed. His spirit soared.

The young woman and her child were also helped. I still wonder what she must have thought when Mom entered the room, picked up her little girl, and said, "I'm going to help you." Surely she thought she was seeing an angel. I remember her whimpers turned to full fledged sobs as relief spread through her body. The little girl lived and became my friend.

A MISSION MOMENT (Concluded)

I found out the young beggar's name was Antonio. My Dad took a liking to him and before we knew it brought him home to our town. Dad was president of a Christian school so he enrolled Antonio, set him up in a dorm, and arranged a job for him. Soon this illiterate, deformed man who was abandoned as a child became a student whom everyone loved and valued. You couldn't help but fall in love with this man who had to crawl around, but who always looked up at you with a happy smile. Everyone got excited when Dad told them that a doctor said Antonio could possibly walk if he'd undergo numerous operations at a hospital 3000 miles away. He went and for two years they worked on his legs. The letters Dad received were filled with stories of extreme pain, yet the central message was always praise to our Lord, Jesus Christ. The next time I saw Antonio was at a chapel meeting at the school. Dad delivered a message and then told everyone he had a surprise for them. The curtain was raised and Antonio, on crutches, walked to my father like a child taking his very first steps. Everyone wept. Antonio went on to finish college and became a college professor. He married and is now the father of three children. His oldest son, Spachson, is named after my father Jule Spach. His daughter Nancy is named after my mother.

Are there still people in need? Yes, more than ever. Who can help them? You and I can. The money you donate to One Great Hour of Sharing will go to programs that help people in more than 70 countries. It will go to the Dominican Republic for nutrition programs, to Cairo to improve living conditions of people living in dumps, to Armenia for medical supplies for earthquake survivors, to Cambodia for a veterinary program, to Botswana for an employment program.

By affording these people just their basic needs their lives can be brought up from despair. their human spirit can be empowered, and soon their eyes will look towards the heavens and they'll say, "There must be a God."

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Remember to bring your Lenten Offering box for Heifer Project International to worship on Easter Sunday and place it in the offering plate.

It's not too late to donate, or to donate more, to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. Make your check out to the church and subnotate it "OGHS" or put it in an envelope and write OGHS on the envelope, and place it in the offering at worship, or mail it to the church. Our young people raised $71.25 through a car wash on April 7th for this cause; we thank them.

FUN CLUB MEETING

APRIL 17 10:15 A.M.

VISIT

SCHOLER'S COUNTRY HAM

Van & Carpool from Parish Parking Lot
LUNCH AT GOLDEN CORRAL

SCOUTING NEWS

The first Boy Scout to earn the Eagle award in Troop 51 since its reorganization several years ago (co-sponsored by our church and the Elon College Exchange Club) was awarded his badge at a Court of Honor ceremony in the Parish House on March 15th. Eric Lawson achieved Scouting's highest rank in a ceremony conducted by Scoutmaster Frank Danley and District Commissioner Charles Farlow.

Eric's path to this award has been somewhat unusual and illustrates the value of a nationwide organization. He joined Troop 52 of the Chattahoochee Council in Columbus, Georgia, in August 1985. His family moved to Hawaii, where he joined Troop 264 of the Aloha Council in Mililani Town in January 1986. There he completed all his Eagle requirements. He served as escort for Senator Daniel Inouye at the 1988 Man of the Year award in Honolulu. Before his application for Eagle could be processed by Scout Headquarters, his family moved again, to our area, and Eric became active in our troop 51 of the Cherokee Council in February of this year. (His father, Levi Lawson, became an Assistant Scoutmaster in our troop at the same time.) Eric's papers were approved and his award finally took place with due ceremony at this, his third Scout troop!

But Eric is not likely to be the only Eagle in Troop 51 for very long. At this same Court of Honor, Josh Carden, Kevin Mobley, and Adam Shull advanced to Life Scout, where they joined four other boys already holding that rank, including Don Danley of our church. Several of these seven already have the required 21 merit badges and are working on their leadership project requirement. For a small troop this is a very high record of advancement, and we can be proud of the work our troop's leaders and boys are doing.

In addition, Keith Woody and Chris and Steve Faulkner advanced to First Class at this Court of Honor.

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Another of our church's young people, Rob Woody, will receive his Eagle Award from Troop 75 of the West Burlington United Methodist Church at a ceremony there on Monday, April 16th at 7:30. We salute Rob on this fine achievement.

MORE SCOUTING NEWS

Don Danley of our church has chosen as his Eagle Project to offer the public an opportunity to learn C.P.R. (cardio-pulmonary resuscitation) and the Heimlich Maneuver (what to do when a person is choking). There will be demonstrations and a lecture on these two health emergency procedures on May 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the Yeager Recital Hall in the Fine Arts Center of Elon College. The guest speaker will be Chief Eddie King of the Elon College Fire Department. Refreshments will be served immediately following the lecture.

Opportunity will be available for practicing these emergency procedures for anybody who wishes to learn. Formal certification in C.P.R., however, requires an extended period of training.

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SPECIAL THANKS

...to **Steve Perry** for securing and installing new, stronger signs for our handicapped parking spaces.

...to **Harvey Hook** for putting a lock on the cabinet over the sink in the hall outside the office door.

...to our **Youth Group** for washing the church van, and to our **Younger Youth Group** for making a Holy Week banner.

CENTENNIAL NOTES

Our first Centennial Celebration, the lecture by Pastor Alfred Radeloff from Dessau, East Germany, received high marks from those who attended. He told some deeply moving stories of young people putting themselves at risk in the churches to help change the Communist power system.

The next special Centennial event will be our May 27th Communion service, at which we will use the original communion ware of the church. The story of how a 9-year-old girl raised the money to purchase this silver set is revealed in a series of letters printed in the "Children's Corner" of the denominational newspaper of the day. We are serializing these letters in the TORCH issues leading up to May 27th. "Uncle Barry" is the editor of the Children's Corner column and "Uncle Tangle" succeeds him in that position later. The Rev. T. H. Mackintosh did the research on these letters.

HOW THE CHURCH AT ELON COLLEGE GOT ITS FIRST COMMUNION SET

PART II

Etheredge--We like the proposition of Miss Margaret Etheredge of Selma, N.C., in which she calls on her friends and the children of the Christian Church to send her money with which to purchase a communion service for the church at Elon College. That is thoughtful and we hope the friends of the College will respond to her call. The money should be raised and the service purchased and presented by the opening of the next session, so as to be ready for the next communion meeting.

Uncle Barry

(Christian Sun, June 18, 1891, p. 233)

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CENTENNIAL NOTES (concluded)

Selma, N.C., July 30, 1891

Dear Uncle Barry:--

How glad I am to know you are well enough to come home, and I know you will be glad to know that I am out again after a long and severe sickness. I have been sick two months, and mamma wished so often while you were at the springs that I could be there too. I have been waiting during my sickness for the cousins to work but have only heard from one. Bessie Staley has promised 50 cts; now Bessie see if you can't get something from the Sunday School at Oak Level. Today I received a letter from some kind friend in Raleigh, with 50 cts, I don't know who, but I am so much obliged. I wish I could get one every day until we had enough to pay for the set and then you know we will feel proud of it when we are students there.

Fondly,
Margaret Etheredge

(Christian Sun, August 6, 1891, p. 330)

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Raleigh, N.C., August 17, 1891

Dear Children:--

I am glad to tell you that Margaret is receiving some encouragement toward the Elon Communion Set. We met her excellent mother yesterday, who told us that $1.50 had been received. Now let each one put forth an effort to help Margaret. If you intend helping send your money to her at once, don't wait for somebody else. We want you to have the money all in for the Set by September 1, and I know you can. Lazy children don't have such bright and earnest countenances as you all have, for I have met several of the cousins lately and I am delighted with them.

Cordially yours,
Uncle Tangle

(Christian Sun, August 20, 1891, p. 363)

CALENDAR FOR APRIL

11	-	7:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
12	-	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
			Adult Choir Rehearsal
15	-	8:30 a.m.	Easter Breakfast
		9:30 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt
		9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
16	-		Church Office Closed
		7:45 p.m.	Music Committee
17	-	10:30 a.m.	Fun Club
		7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
18	-	7:00 p.m.	Parenting Class
19	-	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
20-22			Discover Fellowship Retreat
22	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		4:00 p.m.	Church Council
		7:30 p.m.	Board of Missions
23	-	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
24	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
26-28			Southern Conference Annual Meeting
			Norfolk, Virginia
26	-	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
29	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship

An Inexpensive Non-Beach Family Memorial Day Week-end May 25-27

Here's your opportunity for a relaxed, happy time at your place in the mountains, Blowing Rock Assembly Grounds. Especially for families with children 12 and under, this happening begins at 7:00 Friday evening and ends with Sunday lunch (2 nights, 5 meals, snacks). Please register by May 6. Send your name, address, phone number and local church name to Sandra Canipe, 400 Radiance Drive, Greensboro, NC 27403. Indicate how many adults and children (with children's names and ages) will be in your family group. Send $10 per participant with your registration; the cost will be: $40 per adult, $20 for children 11-14, $15 for children 10 and under, no charge for children under 2.

RESERVATION FORM

"An Inexpensive Non-Beach Family Memorial Day Week-end"
May 25-27, 1990
Blowing Rock Assembly Grounds

Name(s)_____ Phone_____

Address_____

City and State_____ Zip Code_____

Church_____

Name(s) and age(s) of child(ren)_____

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Amount of deposit_____ Checks made payable to BRAG.
(Send the $10 per person deposit and this reservation form to Sandra Canipe, Congregational UCC, 400 Radiance Drive, Greensboro, NC 27403.)

Reservations due by May 6, 1990.

EGG HUNT

There will be an egg hunt for children on Easter Sunday at 9:30 a.m. following the Easter Breakfast. It will be organized by the Youth. Bring your own basket, please.

YOUTH NEWS

Sun., April 15 9:30 a.m.
Egg Hunt for Children.

Sat., April 28 10-4
Drop In Babysitting Fund Raiser.

Sat., May 5
Trip to Carowinds.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE CAMPS
1990

JUNIOR AGE

Beginners Camp (grade 3)
July 8-11 Johns River

Junior Age 1 (grades 4-6)
June 24-30 Johns River

Junior Age 2 (grades 4-6)
July 15-21 Johns River

Junior Age 3 (grades 4-6)
July 22-28 Franklinton Center

Junior Age 4 (grades 4-6)
August 12-18 Brethren Woods

Music Camp (grades 4-6)
August 5-11 Johns River

Explorers Camp (grades 5-6)
July 8-14 Johns River

SENIOR HIGH

Work Camp (grades 9-12)
June 17-23 Johns River

Outpost High Adventure (grades 9-12
June 24-30 Johns River

Senior High 1 (grades 9-12)
July 15-21 Franklinton Center

Senior High 2 (grades 9-12)
July 22-28 Johns River

JUNIOR HIGH

Junior High 1 (grades 7-8)
July 15-21 Franklinton Center

Junior High 2 (grades 7-8)
July 29-Aug. 4 Johns River

Outpost Adventure Camp (grades 7-8)
July 15-21 Johns River

Junior High 3 (grades 7-8)
August 12-18 Brethren Woods

Shenandoah Travel Camp (grades 7-8)
July 8-14 (points north)

YOUNG ADULTS

A Two Rivers Experience (post-high to 3
July 1-3 Johns River

For registration information call the Conference Office 222-8771.

Scholarship money is availabl through the Church for anyone who needs it. Please call Beth Lyon.

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

May 6th.

Dr. Irvine's sermon will be on "The Door to Life" from John 10:1-10. Hymns will include "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling," "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing," and "O Jesus, I Have Promised."

May 13th.

"Freeze Frame and Pilgrimage" will be the subject of Dr. Irvine's Mother's Day sermon. The text is Hebrews 13:14; the passage 13:7-16. Hymns will include "Now Thank We All Our God," "Fairest Lord Jesus," and "Forward Through the Ages."

May 20th.

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TORCHGLEAMS

Once again our congregation has been touched by death. **Leffie Lowe** died after a brief illness the afternoon of May 1st at Alamance Memorial Hospital. Services were held Thursday, May 3rd, at the church. Our sympathy to her family and friends...

Alyssa Lovell underwent surgery recently to take out the steel pins that were put in her leg after last year's auto accident. Recuperation will take about six weeks at home... **Eleanore Kittinger**, we are sorry to report, fell and broke her arm at the Bishop Penick home in Southern Pines where she is staying...Sympathy to **Ruth Dunn** whose uncle Roy Dunn (of near Lynchburg, VA) died several weeks ago... **Lohr and Vera Dixon's** daughter **Susan** accidentally injured her cornea while brushing her hair and has had a lot of eye trouble since...**Audrey Shumar** is quite ill with angina...**Eugenia Wagoner** is recovering from eye surgery... **Alma Lynch** is in intensive care at Alamance Memorial; she had a temporary pacemaker installed...**Ed Simons** blacked out and fell at home April 29th and was taken to the emergency room but was able to come home the same day and is doing well...Remember all these folk in your prayers...

On a happier note, congratulations to **Ray Covington** who will receive his Master's degree in Educational Administration (with a concentration in Higher Education) and to **Ken Harper** who will receive his Doctor of Education degree at the UNCG Commencement on May 13th...And, have you noticed **Beverly Beyer's** fine progress as a distance runner on the Williams High School girl's track team? She recently took 22 seconds off her previous best time in a 3200-meter run, winning the event by a good margin...

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TORCHGLEAMS (concluded)

We had a nice letter from the director of the brass quintet that played for us on Easter Sunday, addressed to our church's members: "I would like to take this time to thank you for having my students and myself play during your Easter celebration. Working with your excellent Minister of Music, Dr. Steven Ten Eyck, and your choir was a wonderful musical experience. Thank you. Sincerely, Thomas R. Erdmann, Director of Bands, Elon College." And thanks to you, Tom, and your students, for all you did to enrich our Easter worship!...

Pastor Irvine will be at Camp Betsy-Jeff Penn attending the annual Southern Conference Pastor's Retreat May 14-16. Dr. William B. Oglesby, retired professor of pastoral counseling at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, who was one of the key teachers in Dr. Irvine's education, will lead the group in a consideration of "Pastoral Care at the Time of Dying."...

CHIP II CAMPAIGN NOTES

We have already received in the office a pledge for $100 per year for 3 years, and another check for $100 in a single payment for all three years, toward the CHIP II campaign for Elon Homes For Children. Remember that Mother's Day Sunday is the day we will collect pledges toward this cause during worship. You received a letter about this a few days ago.

LOST AND FOUND DEPARTMENT

Has anyone in your family lost items over the winter you would like to recover? We have developed quite a lost and found department here with several winter coats, a pair of running shoes, and various umbrellas. If you have lost anything that you think might be at the church, please check with the church ofice. After May 15th they will be taken to the New To You store operated by Elon Homes for Chidlren.

HOW THE CHURCH AT ELON COLLEGE GOT ITS FIRST COMMUNION SET

(These letters are taken from the pages of The Christian Sun (our ancestor denomination's weekly newspaper) from a century ago. "Uncle Barry" is the editor of the Children's Corner column.)

PART III

I hope you will try to help Margaret Etheredge. She is not near a church of her denomination, but she is loyal to the Christian Church. She is trying hard to raise money for the Elon College church communion set. Now if the members of the Band who are at Elon, in school, would each send her a small amount she could very soon present the little church there with a nice set of silver for communion.

Uncle Barry

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Dear Uncle Barry:--

I know I must write and tell you how I am getting on receiving money. I received $2.00 in one week--$1.00 from Allie Gibson and $1.00 from the little Staleys. I am so much obliged. If I could get that much every week I would soon have enough to buy the set. Dear cousins, I hope you will do as Uncle Barry asked you, and send the ten cents.

Margaret Etheredge

(Christian Sun, August 27, 1891, p. 378)

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My dear children,

I am surprised at the report Margaret Etheredge gives this week of your work for the communion set for Elon College church....Now if you have been negligent during the past two weeks, don't continue so but come right out and say I will do something, and then make your word good by doing.

Uncle Barry

COMMUNION SET STORY (cont.)

Selma, N.C., September 7, 1891

Dear Uncle Barry:---

I haven't near enough to buy the service, but I do feel so much encouraged when I get a letter with money in it....All children have pleasure of some kind, and working for Christ, and his church is mine. I can't go to school, visit, and play, like most little girls, because I have so little health; so dear cousins, give me a little pleasure by sending me your ten cts. I know my letter is too long, so will tell you who has sent in their contributions.

Pattie Newman,, $1.50; Naomi Ely, 10 cents; Johnnie Adams, 10 cents; William Long Holleman, 10 cents; Martha Pearl Holleman, 25 cents; Lizzie Jane Long, 25 cents; Fannie Brickhouse, $1.00.

Margaret Etheredge

(Christian Sun, September 10, 1891, p. 410)

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE NOTES

SPECIAL CENTENNIAL SERVICE MAY 27TH

Please mark your calendar and plan to be at worship on May 27th, when we will celebrate Communion using the original Communion silver utensils given to the Church as a result of the efforts of Margaret Etheredge. She was a 9-year-old girl of Selma, NC, who a hundred years ago took on herself the task of raising enough money to buy the Communion Service for our Church. This story has been serialized in the TORCH but will be re-enacted in a short skit that will be put on during the service. Marie Wilkins is working on this and we are pleased that she is undertaking this effort to help illustrate our heritage.

HISTORY HIGHLIGHT # 1

Each month during our Centennial Year, small exhibits concerning our church's history can be seen in the Narthex. They will be left in place for two Sundays. May 6th and 13th, you will see pictures of the first place of worship for our church. You will also see a listing of the nineteen Christians who met, "being desirous of associating ourselves together as a church," and who signed that first covenant. They were citizens of Mill Point but chose to name the church Elon College Christian Church. The name of the town was changed from Mill Point to Elon College in 1893.

Their first minister was Rev. W. S. Long. Services were held one Sunday each month, increasing this to two in 1894. Beginning in 1913, services were held every Sunday.

You may want to re-read the Principles of our church on the marble plaque in the narthex. These, as well as the Covenant, are in the Preamble to our Constitution.

Coming Attractions

Don't Forget

REMEMBER:

1. BRING A DISH
2. INVITE A FRIEND
3. GAMES WELCOME

Everyone's welcome

THE YOUNGER YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (GRADES 5-8)

IS GOING TO CAROWINDS, SATURDAY, MAY 5

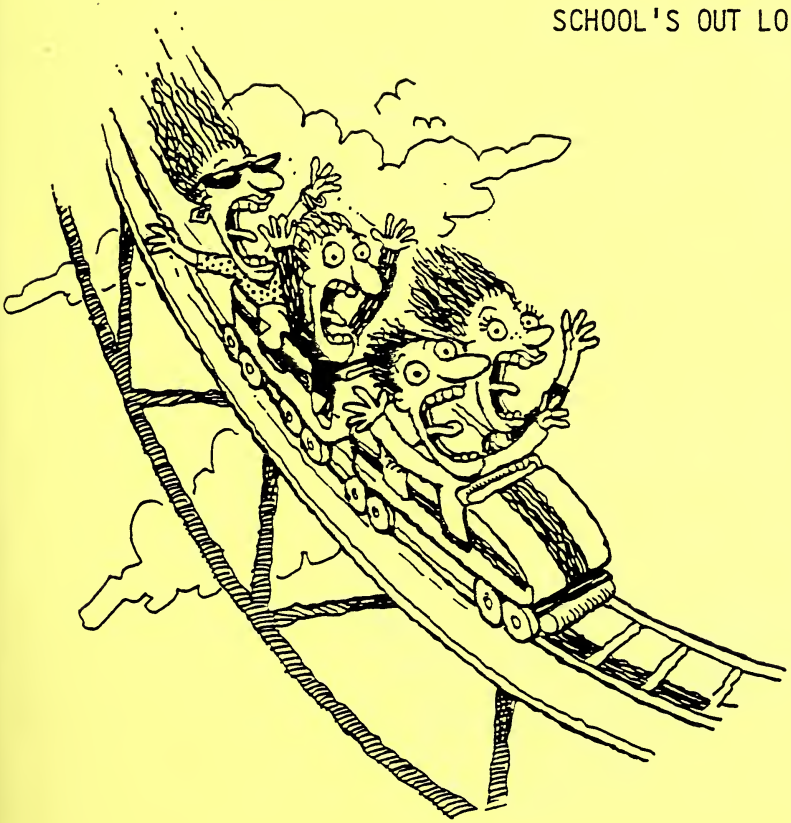
LEAVE 7:00 A.M.

RETURN 9:00 P.M.

COST $13.95

NEXT MEETING SUNDAY, MAY 20.

SCHOOL'S OUT LOCK-IN FRIDAY, JUNE 1.



MAY BIRTHDAYS

2 - Wendy Terrell

3 - Earl W. Vickers, Jr.

4 - Nancy Martin
Timothy Marsh McLelland
Carey A. Andes
Pam Dann
Ashton Oliver

5 - Florance Smith

6 - Robert Shomaker

7 - David Seamster

10 - James L. Dixon

11 - Pattie Wall

13 - Mark Albertson

14 - Laurie Pendergrass

15 - Susan Rose

16 - Marion Underhill

17 - Mary Butler
Graham Oxford
John Max Hemphill, Jr.
Gayland Welborn

18 - John Schmidt

19 - Ruth Hurst
Carrie McLelland

20 - Tim Parker

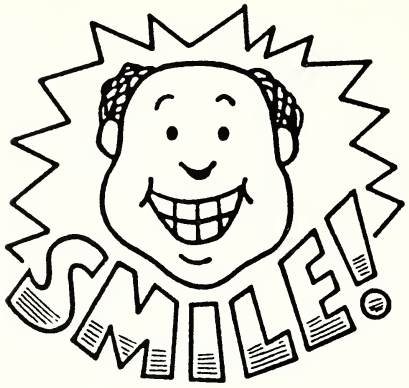
21 - Howard Edgerton
Michelle Hutchins

22 - Heidi Danieley
Tyler Holt

26 - Estelle P. Willard
Gladys Vickers

29 - William P. Smith

31 - Edith Brannock
Kay Hensley
John M. Irvine, Jr.



WORLD HISTORY ACCORDING TO STUDENT BLOOPERS

Eventually, the Romans conquered the Greeks. History calls people Romans because they never stayed in one place for very long At Roman banquets, the guests wor garlics in their hair. Julius Caesar extinguished himself on the battle fields of Gaul. The Ides of March murdered him because they thought he was going to be made king. Nero was a cruel tyranny who would torture his poor subjects by playing the fiddle to them.

Then came the Middle Ages. King Alfred conquered the Dames, King Arthur lived in the Age of Shivery, King Harold mustarded his troops before the Battle of Hastings. Finally, Magna Carta provided that no free man should be hanged twice for the same offense.

THANK YOU

It was nice to see eighty-plus people at the Easter breakfast. Thanks to these people and to a number of planners and workers: Ray Covington, a good cook and also the soloist who gave us a very moving song, and who led us in another; Earl Danieley, our main cook and one of our bakers, as well as our flower supplier and arranger; Tom Conally, our other baker; W. J. Andes, E. W. Brafford, Earl Parker, and Louis Wilkins, super handy persons who did everything you can imagine to get things ready and to keep things moving; Verona Danieley, an expert at warming bread in the microwave oven without turning that bread into shoe leather; Charles Wilkins, who played the piano, and super dishwashers John Ketcham and Gayland Welborn. ALL OF US THANK YOU! Paul Cheek.

SEVEN HELPFUL HINTS TO SHOW YOUR MOTHER YOUR APPRECIATION ON MOTHER'S DAY

1. Wake your mom up after you get home Saturday night and ask her to wake you early enough in the morning so that you can fix her breakfast in bed before church.
2. Invite two of your best friends to Sunday dinner to celebrate Mother's Day. Ask your mom to cook something special. Be sure your friends tell your mom, "Thanks for having us over. We would have had to fix our own dinners because our moms wanted to have the day off."
3. After dinner, clear the table and put all the dishes in the sink so it is easier for your mom to wash them.
4. Offer to change the vacuum cleaner bag after she finishes vacuuming your room.
5. Gift wrap and give your mom your clothes hangers, since you never hang up your clothes anyway.
6. Remove all the "things" growing under your bed. When planted in flower pots, they make excellent Mother's Day gifts.
7. Change the sheets you put on your bed for Easter and take down the Christmas wreath from your bedroom door.

-Faith Lutheran Church
Dunedin, FL.

ROB WOODY RECEIVES EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

Rob Woody, son of Robin and Patricia Woody, received the Eagle Scout Award at a Court of Honor ceremony held at the West Burlington Methodist Church on Monday, April 16th.

Rob joined Troop 75, sponsored by West Burlington Methodist Church, and earned his New Scout Patch on June 11, 1985. He was awarded Tenderfoot on September 17th, Second Class the following January 14th, First Class June 2nd, and Star Scout by December 15th. On June 26th, 1987, he received his Life Scout award, and advanced to Eagle rank on December 4th, 1989.

Twenty-one merit badges are required for Eagle rank; Rob has earned 34. Documentation on his Eagle Project was completed November 20th last year. His project involved the planning,organizing, and building of portions of the equipment in our Elon College Community Church playground. He was assisted by his father and other church members.

While advancing to the rank of Eagle Rob has been very active in his troop, by serving in the following positions: Troop Librarian 1985, Member of Leadership Corps 1987, Patrol Leader 1987, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader 1988, Senior Patrol Leader 1989. He has been a member of the Order of the Arrow since 1987.

Rob is an A-Honor Roll student at Western Alamance High School. He is a Scholar-Athlete, participating in football and wrestling. He is a member of Elon College Community Church.

Congratulations to Rob on this significant achievement!

MAY CALENDAR

1 - 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

3 - 3:30 p.m. Centennial Committee
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

5 - 7:00 a.m. Youth Trip to Carowinds

6 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Discover Fellowship
7:30 p.m. Board of Christian Education

7 - 10:30 a.m. Circles 1 & 2
7:30 p.m. Circle 3

8 - 9:30 a.m. College Commencement Worship
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
7:30 p.m. Circle 4

9 - 7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees

10 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

13 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
7:00 p.m. Board of Deacons

14 - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group

15 - 10:15 a.m. Fun Club
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

17 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

20 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
7:30 p.m. Board of Missions

22 - 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts at the Lodge

24 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

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MAY CALENDAR - continued -

27 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
4:00 p.m. Church Picnic

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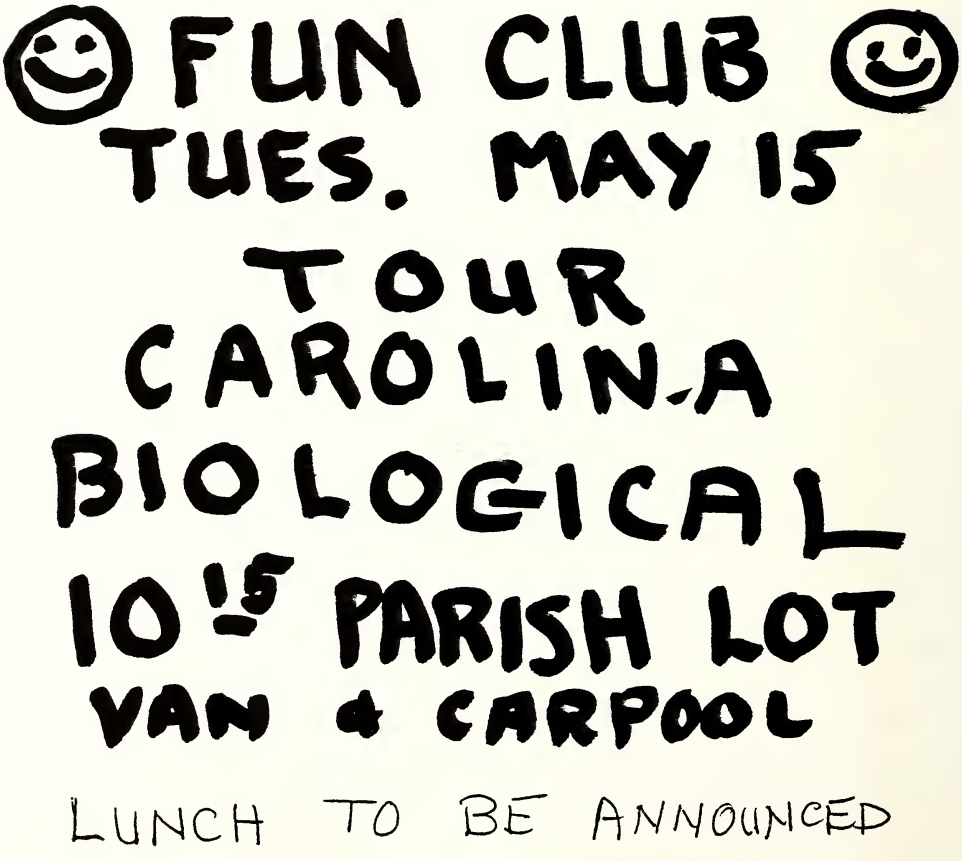

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Greeters

May 6	Ann and Richard Acquilano
13	Susan and Bill Barbee
20	Vera and Lohr Dixon
27	Susan and John Hemphill

Flowers

Lankford
Lawrence
A. Reynolds
Clem

Acolytes

May 6	Tara McKenna and Elizabeth Comer
13	Matt Mayse and Chris Harris
20	Vega Herold and Lydia Troxler
27	Elizabeth Mayse and Emily Woody

Ushers

May 6	Mike Mayse, Dee Atkinson, Travis Loy, Bill Barbee, Earl Parker.
13	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Robert Woody.
20	Ken Harper, David Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, Kristin Wilkins.
27	Sibyl White, Willard White, Vic Vickers, Chris Vickers, George Troxler.

Nursery

May 6	Susan Hemphill	20	Phyllis Young
13	Nell Snyder	27	Helene Ellis

Children's Church

May 6	Beth Lyon and Brian Harper
13	Janet Mayse and Ryan Harris
20	Carolyn Messick and Christy Rich
27	Kim or Steve Perry and Brian Rose

Church Attendance for April

April	1	- 165	22	-	145
	8	- 168	29	-	150
	15	- 304			

Maundy Thursday - 42

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD ENDING
Mar 31 1990

	1989 ACTUAL	1990 BUDGET	BUDGET TO DATE	ACTUAL TO DATE
SOURCES OF INCOME				
Total Pledged Income	114,762.85	115,002.00	30,000.52	24,646.83
Total Special Contributions	7,730.14	6,660.00	1,347.00	1,811.76
Total Loose Offerings	2,779.09	3,000.00	780.00	564.63
Total Interest Earned	1,278.35	1,045.00	0.00	16.74
Total Fund Raising	302.45	550.00	0.00	0.00
Total Rental Income	2,736.85	4,100.00	170.00	508.50
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	1,944.88	1,715.00	487.00	360.78
TOTAL REVENUE	131,534.61	132,072.00	32,784.52	27,909.24
EXPENDITURES				
Total Local Mission	3,165.58	4,000.00	1,012.00	683.78
Total UCC Ministries	15,910.57	16,850.00	5,150.00	1,900.00
Total World Ministries	1,360.00	2,050.00	150.00	0.00
Total Other Mission Expense	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL MISSIONS	20,436.15	22,950.00	6,312.00	2,583.78
Total Worship Services	1,507.06	860.00	133.75	226.42
Total Evangelism	468.37	500.00	54.00	122.32
Total Music Programs	10,902.76	10,612.00	2,653.00	2,353.00
TOTAL WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM	12,878.19	11,972.00	2,840.75	2,701.74
Total Program - Christian Ed.	4,386.20	4,700.00	953.50	701.56
Total Personnel - Christian Ed.	9,835.32	11,042.00	2,610.50	2,677.83
TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	14,221.52	15,742.00	3,564.00	3,379.39
Total Building Expense	26,612.47	28,140.00	9,628.00	9,459.79
Total Personnel	7,090.46	6,368.00	1,592.00	1,720.47
Total Operating Expense	2,013.54	1,925.00	393.75	409.93
TOTAL CHURCH FACILITIES	35,716.47	36,433.00	11,613.75	11,590.19
Total Program	299.16	320.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personnel	46,778.96	48,315.00	12,078.75	11,346.84
Total Operating Expense	350.51	350.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL LEADERSHIP	47,428.63	48,985.00	12,078.75	11,346.84
TOTAL OTHER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	130,680.96	136,082.00	36,409.25	31,601.94
EXCESS/(DEF) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE	853.65	(4,010.00)	(3,624.73)	(3,692.70)

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

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May 27th.

This will be a special communion Sunday service, one of our Centennial events. In partaking of communion, everyone will have a chance to be served from the original communion utensils of the congregation (the origin of these has been serialized in recent TORCH issues). After communion is taken to those unable to come forward, the rest of the congregation will come forward up the center aisle in two rows to be served by the pastors. Communion will be by intinction: after breaking off a piece of bread, the worshipper will dip the bread in the cup and then eat it.

Dr. Irvine's meditation will be on "Silver and Earthen Vessels." The Scripture will be II Corinthians 4:5-15. Hymns will be "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past," "O God, Above the Drifting Years" and "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face."

June 3rd. Pentecost.

Wear something red to church! Celebrate the tongues of flame that symbolized the gift of the Holy Spirit on the Pentecost after the Resurrection.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "What Does This Mean?" from Acts 2:1-21. Hymns will include "Come, Thou Almighty King," "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine," and "Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me."

HOW THE CHURCH AT ELON COLLEGE GOT ITS FIRST COMMUNION SET

We have been serializing the century-old correspondence in our predecessor denomination's newspaper which tells how a little girl in poor health pursued her dream of raising enough money to get a communion set for our church. [Uncle Barry has stepped down as editor of the Children's Corner, and his place taken by Uncle Tangle.]

PART IV (CONCLUSION)

Selma, N.C., September 21, 1891

Dear Uncle Tangle:--

I have good news to write this week, and I do feel so happy over my good success. I was so happy Saturday when I received a letter from our good friend, Miss Pattie Newman, with a check in it for eight dollars that I didn't know what to do with myself. She collected it at Elon. I have also received fifty cents from Uncle Barry, fifty cents from Room No. 5, Elon College; twenty-five cents from Mary Norfleet, and fifty cents from her mother. Many thanks, kind friends. I don't know what a nice set will cost, so I can't tell whether I have nearly enough or not. Uncle Barry promised to find out what it will cost.

Margaret Etheredge

(Christian Sun, September 24, 1891, p. 26.)

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[About 100 Elon students attended the Exposition in a body. This is referred to in the next letter. The trip by the students is mentioned in the Christian Sun for November 12, 1891, p. 135.]

COMMUNION SET STORY (cont.)

Selma, N. C., Nov. 23, 1891

Dear Uncle Tangle:--

I have waited so long to write [because] I was waiting to hear from Uncle Barry. He promised to find out what the communion set would cost. If he will find out, I will send him what I have and he can order, or buy the set when he goes to Norfolk. I received $1.00 from Mrs. Moring and twenty-five cts. from Minnie Smith....Mamma and I were anxious to go to the Exposition the day the Elon people went, but could not.

Margaret Etheridge

(Christian Sun, November 26, 1891, p. 170)

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My dear children:--

The communion set for Elon College has been ordered and I have just seen it. It is beautiful. It is four-plated silver very highly polished, with "Elon College" engraved on each article...The set with engraving and freight cost $22.85.

Uncle Tangle

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Selma, N.C., November 26, 1891

Dear Uncle Barry:--

I have only $23.00 but as you can get this set for $19.50, it is sufficient. I am so glad I have enough. I send it to you and hope you will get it and have it at Elon by their next communion service.

Margaret Etheredge

COMMUNION SET STORY (concluded)

Margaret, the set has been bought and it is lovely. The engraving of the words "Elon College" on each piece and the freight made the total cost $23.00.

Uncle Tangle

(Christian Sun, December 10, 1891, p. 202)

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Dear children:--

Last week in speaking about the communion set I said in one place that the set, engraving, and freight all amounted to $22.85, and in another place that it was $23.00. Let me explain how I happened to tell such a falsehood. The cost of the set with the engraving was $22.85. Uncle Barry was to let me know what the freight amounted to, but as he did not do so before the paper went to press I just let those figures stand knowing I could give the correct figures today. The freight was 30 cents, thus making the entire cost of the set delivered at Elon College $23.15. Uncle Barry has a balance of 85 cents which he proposes to turn over to the funds of the Band.

Uncle Tangle

(Christian Sun, December 17, 1891, p. 218)

TORCHGLEAMS

Ann Martin wants to thank her friends in the congregation for all that has been done for her during her recent illness and since, especially for the visits that have meant so much to her. She now has her own room at the Presbyterian Home of Hawfields...

Special thanks to **Gayle, Elizabeth and James David Comer** for their help in restocking the food pantry. We will miss this fine family when they move to South Carolina this summer...And thanks to all the women of the church who faithfully bring in their gifts of canned goods month by month to help keep the pantry stocked...

Susan Barbee is recovering at home after outpatient surgery recently...**Audrey Shumar** is quite ill at home with angina...We were glad to see **Alyssa Lovell** back in the choir after her recent surgery...

Congratulations to **Al Primm** who harvested the highest number of votes of all candidates in the recent election for County School Board, as he stood for re-election...

We're proud also of our three students at Western Alamance High School who were recently named to the National Honor Society: **Katie Brown, Brian Rose, and Rob Woody...**

On the same page of the UNCG Commencement Program of May 13th were listed the names of and dissertation titles by two people of our churh family who received Doctor of Education degrees. **Mary Lynn Brafford (Redmond)'s** dissertation was on The Planning and Implementation of the North Carolina Second Language Program in Selected Elementary School Districts. **Kenneth Leon Harper's** was entitled An Investigation of Inferred and Professed Self-Concept-As-Learner of Gifted and Average Middle School Students. Also in the program were **Raymond Paul Covington** receiving a Master of Education Degree; and **John Barbee** sang in the choir (he is an underclassman)...

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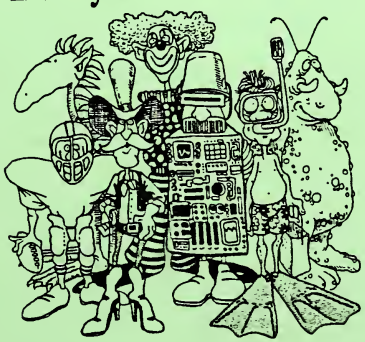

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AN UPDATE ON SEVERAL RECENT SPECIAL OFFERINGS:

One Great Hour of Sharing $1,590.50

Heifer Project International 387.35

Elon Homes for Children
Chip II Campaign

Pledges 822.00 per year
over 3 year period.

Income as of 5/15/90 1,050.00
(received several one time gifts
making total income higher than
pledges.)

THE HOSPICE LEAGUE OF ALAMANCE-CASWELL is raising funds to build and maintain a free-standing hospice facility for the terminally ill in our area. A Super Flea Market is the first event planned and needs salable items donated, manpower, publicity funds and space to hold the sale in August 3 and 4. If you can help or need information, call Shirlie Baxter at 228-1703 or Hospice 570-5200. Thank you!!

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ATTENTION WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - The June general meeting, a Family Banquet originally scheduled for June 3, has been postponed two weeks until Sunday, June 17. Other details are unchanged - a covered dish meal at 6 p.m. for the whole church family, a program on what faith means in our families, coordinated by Beth Lyon. This will be a great way to observe Father's Day - mark your calendar!

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On Sunday, June 3 at 9:45 a.m. The New Adult Class, the Youth Class and the Children's classes will celebrate Pentecost with a birthday party for the Church. There will be food and special activities in the Youth Room.

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, May 20 the Younger Youth will see The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe. Meet at the church at 2:10. Cost is $2.50. Bring a friend.

SCHOOL'S OUT! Younger Youth will have a lock-in on Friday, June 1.

YOUTH NEWS - continued -

SPECIAL FOR SENIOR HIGHS: YOUTHNIQUE A Southern Regional Senior High Youth Event at Blowing Rock Assembly Grounds July 30 - August 2. Cost is $100. Funding can be arranged Registrations are due by July 13. DON'T MISS IT!

Don't forget Summer Camp! Registration is now under way for Southern Conference Camps. Programs are available for rising third graders through young adults. See Beth Lyon for details. Brochures are available in the church office.

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ATTENTION PARENTS!

REGISTRATION FOR THE FALL AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM IS BEING TAKEN NOW! THE FEE IS $50.00 ($25.00 FOR THE FALL SEMESTER AND $25.00 FOR THE SPRING SEMESTER). THE REGISTRATION FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE! THERE ARE SEVERAL OPENINGS, BUT THEY WILL FILL QUICKLY. RESERVE YOUR CHILD'S/CHILDREN'S SPOT NOW! APPLICATIONS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE.

Thank you,

The Afterschool Staff

THE POETIC FLAME

The TORCH is glad to provide a place for the poets in our congregation to publish their work. This issue we hear for the first time from Elizabeth Parker.

She Knew

This earth creature was like the rest in many ways--and yet
She was different and seemed to have strange powers.
She ate the same food; slept in the same sheltered place.
But she knew when to plant the seeds to make more food,
She knew the best places to plant these seeds where the sun would warm them
so they could reach their roots into the earth and gain strength to defy the north wind.

Sometimes she sensed it was time to seek a new place to sleep--
she showed us what would happen if we stayed.
Fearful, we moved on, content to let her lead us still.

When we had slept in our new concealed circle for three seasons she swelled and
brought forth a man-child.
This we could not allow--we took the child from her and gave him to
the other lowly women creatures to feed and teach our ways.
We do not wish to follow a leader with these strange powers.
How was she able to produce a child when we could not do so?
This must not be allowed.

We must send her out alone and let the wild beasts have her.

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	1989 ACTUAL	1990 BUDGET	BUDGET TO DATE	AC TO
SOURCES OF INCOME				
Total Pledged Income	114,762.85	115,002.00	39,200.68	33,88
Total Special Contributions	7,730.14	6,660.00	2,492.00	2,80
Total Loose Offerings	2,779.09	3,000.00	1,020.00	1,08
Total Interest Earned	1,278.35	1,045.00	0.00	51
Total Fund Raising	302.45	550.00	0.00	
Total Rental Income	2,736.85	4,100.00	190.00	67
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	1,944.88	1,715.00	591.00	60
TOTAL REVENUE	131,534.61	132,072.00	43,493.68	39,56
EXPENDITURES				
Total Local Mission	3,165.58	4,000.00	1,108.00	88
Total UCC Ministries	15,910.57	16,850.00	6,500.00	2,80
Total World Ministries	1,360.00	2,050.00	150.00	1,47
Total Other Mission Expense	0.00	50.00	0.00	
TOTAL MISSIONS	20,436.15	22,950.00	7,758.00	5,16
Total Worship Services	1,507.06	860.00	208.75	37
Total Evangelism	468.37	500.00	220.00	13
Total Music Programs	10,902.76	10,612.00	3,397.96	3,47
TOTAL WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM	12,878.19	11,972.00	3,826.71	3,98
Total Program - Christian Ed.	4,386.20	4,700.00	1,277.00	91
Total Personnel - Christian Ed.	9,835.32	11,042.00	3,445.86	3,6
TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	14,221.52	15,742.00	4,722.86	4,56
Total Building Expense	26,612.47	28,140.00	11,644.00	11,68
Total Personnel	7,090.46	6,368.00	2,101.44	2,3
Total Operating Expense	2,013.54	1,925.00	519.75	6
TOTAL CHURCH FACILITIES	35,716.47	36,433.00	14,265.19	14,6
Total Program	299.16	320.00	0.00	
Total Personnel	46,778.96	48,315.00	15,235.63	14,8
Total Operating Expense	350.51	350.00	0.00	
TOTAL LEADERSHIP	47,428.63	48,985.00	15,235.63	14,8
TOTAL OTHER	0.00	0.00	0.00	
TOTAL EXPENSE	130,680.96	136,082.00	45,808.39	43,2
EXCESS/(DEF) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE	853.65	(4,010.00)	(2,314.71)	(3,6

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

June 3rd. Pentecost.

Wear something red to church! Celebrate the tongues of flame that symbolized the gift of the Holy Spirit on the Pentecost after the Resurrection.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "What Does This Mean?" from Acts 2:1-21. Hymns will include "Come, Thou Almighty King," "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine," and "Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me."

June 10th. Trinity Sunday.

Dr. Irvine's sermon will be on "A Trinitarian Faith" from II Corinthians 13:5-14. Hymns will include "Holy! Holy! Holy!", "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation," and "Ancient of Days."

June 17th.

The sermon by our pastor will be "Come To A Full Stop" from Psalm 46. Hymns will include "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise," "Jesus Calls Us," and "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind."

June 24th.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "What To Fear, and What Not" from Matthew 10:24-33. The hymns will be "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven," "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go," and "O Day of God, Draw Nigh."

EVERYBODY INVITED! Sunday, June 17, 6 P.M. at the Parish House. Come, bring your family and a covered dish. Planned and hosted by the Women's Fellowship, this Family Banquet is for the whole church family, in honor of families. If there is not a circle member in your family, please call the church office by Friday, June 15 to let us know how many to expect. (Circle members will be called.)

The program, "Our Faith Family(ies)" will be led by Beth Lyon with help from several church families. Child care will be provided during the program for children third grade and younger; older children will be included in the program.

TORCHGLEAMS

A recent issue of Second Monday, the Elon College Personnel Nesletter, carried this item under "Rambling Reporter": "...if you don't believe in divine protection, explain why **Richard McBride's** computer was the only Mac on campus that wasn't infected by a recent virus..."

We're glad that **Fred, Phyllis, and Alan Young** escaped with only a shakeup when a truck collided with their car near Triad International Airport during the week following Elon College's commencement...

Remember in your prayers: **Page Edgerton**, who will be undergoing a thyroidectomy at Memorial Hospital in Burlington on Monday, June 4th... **Gertrude Irvine** who is out of the hospital and recuperating steadily from her cellulitis in the skilled nursing part of Sunnyside Presbyterian Home in Harrisonburg. She hopes to be well enough to return to her apartment in the near future... **Leroy Hughes** who is having to have a fourth series of treatments for growths in his bladder...

CENTENNIAL HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

Each month during our Centennial year, the first two Sundays a display of historical materials will be on display in the Narthex. These have been prepared by members of the Centennial Committee. Gladys Hughes has written the following explanatory notes to support the June display:

HIGHLIGHT # 2

The ten years from 1913 to 1923 saw much growth in church, college, and town. Sunday School, mid-week prayer services, and a Ladies Aid Society had been added to the church's program. The town had a mayor, depot, post office, livery stables, brickyard, grist mill, blacksmith shops, two sawmills, woodworking shop, bank, a two-story graded school, and a publishing house (used primarily for The Christian Sun).

Three important events occurred in the life of the church in 1923:

1. After 32 years of church services in the Chapel of the college Administration Building, the church had to find a place for worship when that building burned down on January 18, 1923. For almost a year, services were held in the Graded School auditorium (built 1913), on the second floor.

2. The town had continued to grow up around the college as parents moved here to educate their children. In the fall of 1923, a mass meeting of the citizens was held in the school auditorium to discuss the need for "a community church." A committee was appointed to set guidelines for this need: Dr. J. O. Atkinson, representing the church; Dr. W. A. Harper, President of the college; J. J. Lambeth, Mayor; Dr. C. D. Johnston, Superintendent of the Orphanage; O. I. Umstead, Bank cashier; J. A. Hornaday, Superintendent of Graded Schools; R. S. Rainey, Boy Scoutmaster.

At another mass meeting in October in the Masonic Hall (now the 2nd floor of the Priestly Building), the report of this committee was adopted. It stated that the Elon College Christian Church should udnertake to serve the entire community, and so "be a community church." Associate members were to be welcomed and given rights of full members. Committees for Community Improvement, Health and Sanitation, and Social Activities were appointed. Also that immediate steps be taken to erect a church on the lot donated by college trustees, said church "to be used as a center of community service and all activities looking to the upbuilding of the community and extending the Kingdom of our Lord." As a result of these proceedings, forty associaate and ten full members were received into the Elon College Community Church.

3. Over the years, the Ladies Aid Society had saved money for a church building. When these dreams were not realized, they gave the $1,000 toward construction of a Parsonage on the donated lot. Completed in 1923, it was the first piece of property owned by the church. Dr. N. G. Newman was the first minister to live in the parsonage (which stood on the corner of Haggard and Williamson, about where the present sanctuary stands).

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL WILL BE JULY 16-20 THIS YEAR. MARK YOUR CALENDARS SO YOU WON'T MISS IT!

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On Sunday, June 3 at 9:45 a.m. The New Adult Class, the Youth Class and the Children's classes will celebrate Pentecost with a birthday party for the Church. There will be food and special activities in the Youth Room.

JUNE CALENDAR

1 -	9:00 p.m.	Younger Youth Lock-In
4 -	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	4:00 p.m.	Magnolia Cemetery Association Meeting
5 -	7:00 p.m.	Centennial Fund Committee
7 -	7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education
10 -	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
11 -	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
12 -	6:00 p.m.	Allied Churches of Alamance Quarterly Meeting
13 -	7:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
17 -	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	12:00 noon	YETS Meeting for Senior Highs and Parents
	6:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Family Banquet
19 -	10:30 a.m.	Fun Club
24 -	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	5:00 p.m.	Board of Missions
25 -	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
28 -	3:30 p.m.	Centennial Committee
30 -	8:45 a.m.	Cub Scout Trip to Old Salem

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Beth Lyon will be on vacation June 9 - 11 and again on June 18 - 24.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

2 - John Barbee
Adam Shull
Pearl Smith

3 - Juanita Loy
Mary Shaw Cunningham

4 - James Moncure

7 - Walter Boyd
James Overton

8 - Paul Reddish

9 - James A. Scott

15 - Robin Woody

17 - Virginia Richardson
Andy Powell

19 - Eugene S. Lankford
Nora Griswold
Shirley Beyer

20 - Jeremy Noel Allen

21 - Reuben Seamster
Catherine Fogleman
Venita Edwards

22 - Sibyl White

25 - David M. McLelland, Jr.

28 - Floyd Rich

29 - Lucille Howard
David Brown

30 - Jody Edgerton

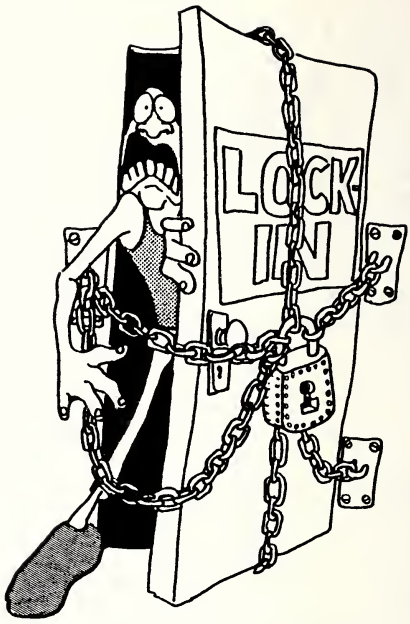
LOCK IN!

FOR YOUNGER YOUTH

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

9 P.M. to 9 A.M.

IN THE YOUTH ROOM



FUN CLUB

TUES. JUNE 19TH

10:30 A.M. PARISH

SLIDE TALK

BY BILL WEST

ON THE

GALAPODOS ISL

(LOCALE OF DARWIN STUDY OF EVOLUTION)

LUNCH AT NICK'S CUISINE

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR GENERAL SYNOD JUNE 17th

During the summer of 1991, the General Synod of the United Church of Christ will meet in Norfolk. This is the first time that General Synod will have ever met in the bounds of the Southern Conference. About 800 delegates plus many additional visitors will be present from all over the country for this biennial meeting which gives guidance to the denomination's officials for the next two years.

It costs a great deal to put on a General Synod meeting. (Imagine, for example, the air fare for the delegation from the Hawaii Conference, plus those from the four conferences along the Pacific coast.) A small part of our OCWM gifts go to paying these costs. But our denomination also asks the host conference to put up some money toward the costs of the event. The last General Synod was held in Fort Worth, Texas, and the South Central Conference was asked to contribute $65,000 to share the burden.

The Southern Conference has asked that each of its local churches make a special donation toward these costs of $1.00 per member in each of two years. That would mean $375 from our church each time. Rather than budget this item, our Board of Missions has decided to take up two special offerings. We will collect the first of these offerings on June 17th (and the second sometime early next year). The loose plate offering will go to this cause; checks may also be made out to the church with the subnotation "General Synod." If you cannot be at worship that Sunday you may mail your gift to the church office or bring it by, or put it in the offering in an appropriately marked envelope on another Sunday.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR TREASURER;

The Church started 1990 with working funds of $13,248.20 which consisted of checking account cash, money market cash and certificates of deposit. A budget was adopted which reflected a deficit of revenue versus expense and a deficit of $4,010.00 was expected for 1990.

To date (through April 30, 1990) our deficit is $3,646.64. And this has reduced our cash position at April 30th to:

Checking Account	-	$ 83.74
Money Market Account	-	1,271.18
Certificates of Deposit	-	8,246.64
Total Working Funds		$9,601.56

This is a reduction of $3,646.64 which is the amount of our deficit through April 30th.

I expect that the projected deficit of $4,010.00 will improve by about $1,000. The Church has budgeted a $1,000 expenditure for Elon Homes for Children's Chip II campaig Individual contributions by our members appear to equal that amount and so that need not come from general Church funds.

Deficit budgets are to be avoided at all costs and it is hoped that 1990 is an unusual year that will not be repeated.

John Ketcham
Treasurer

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For Any Jesting Pilates

by Gladys Hughes

Truth
sometimes is not
where it is expected,
sometimes
layered in half-and-half,
elusive.
There fleeced as all wool
and wide, sheep snuggle
complacently, accept
a piece of goods bound
to start ravelling
and not many people go in
for reweaving these days--
takes patience
and the belief that Light
holds precedence,
will seek its own:
Truth is light magnified.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

	Greeters	Flowers
June 3	Jackie and Bill Pendergrass	J. C. Scarla
10	Dorcas Lohr and Clair Myers	J. W. Matloc
17	Susan and Chris Vickers	K. K. Hughes
24	Marion and Jim Underhill	Lucy Everett

Acolytes

June 3	Heidi Troxler and Crystal Bradley
10	Willy Herold and Scott Williamson
17	Marie Acquilano and Elizabeth Lohr-Myers
24	Amy Rose and Vega Herold

Ushers

June 3	Mike Mayse, Dee Atkinson, Travis Loy, Bill Barbee, Earl Parker.
10	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Robert Woody.
17	Ken Harper, David Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, Kristin Wilkins.
24	Sibyl White, Willard White, Vic Vickers, Chris Vickers, George Troxler.

Nursery

June 3	Ellie Ketcham
10	Maxine Rich
17	Mona Atkinson
24	Phyllis Young

Child Care During Worship

June 3	Maxine Rich and Rob Woody
10	Ann Acquilano and Katie Brown
17	Cile Welborn and Jamie Brown
24	Marie or Jeff Wilkins and Daniel Doyle

Church Attendance for May

May	6	111	20	-	109
	13	- 135	27	-	135

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

July 1st.

"Wrestling in the Dark" will be the title of Dr. Irvine's sermon, based on the stories of Jacob at the River Jabbok and of Jesus in Gethsemane (Genesis 32:3-31; Luke 22:39-54. Hymns will include "How Firm A Foundation," "Go To Dark Gethsemane," and "For All the Saints."

July 8th.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "Hidden From the Wise" from Matthew 11:25 (read verses 25-30). Hymns will include "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise," "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," and "God of Grace and God of Glory."

July 15th. Centennial celebrations (continued).

Dr. Wally Snyder will give a "remembrance" as a part of our Centennial year. Dr. Irvine will preach on "The Pilgrim Principle" in an examination of the Congregational roots of our United Church of Christ. (Subsequently during the Centennial year we will be hearing a sermon by Dr. Andes on the Christian Church roots, and one by Dr. Rollin Russell on the other roots of the UCC--the Evangelical and Reformed, and the Black, traditions.) Scriptures are Luke 9:28-37 and Hebrews 11:8-16. Hymns are "We Gather Together," "My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff," and "We Limit Not the Truth of God."

July 22nd.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "The Mystery of Nature" from Romans 8:18-25. Hymns will include "All Creatures of Our God and King," "With Songs and Honors Sounding Loud," and "Fairest Lord Jesus."

July 29th. Homecoming Sunday.

Our former pastor, Dr. Thomas Hamilton, will return and be the preacher for this special Sunday celebration. More in a subsequent TORCH concerning this service.

CENTENNIAL HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

Each month during our Centennial year, the first two Sundays a display of historical materials will be on display in the Narthex. These have been prepared by members of the Centennial Committee. Mary Shaw Cunningham has written the following explanatory notes to support the July display:

HIGHLIGHT #3

Following the disastrous fire of January 18, 1923, which destroyed the College Administration building, and with it our church's place of worship, new and ambitious construction was soon begun on the Elon College campus. "Hammers, saws, machinery, and trucks made a variety of sounds" as building progressed. Five buildings, Alamance, The Carlton Library, Whitley Auditorium, The Duke Science building, and the Mooney Religious Education building were all being erected at approximately the same time.

In 1924 Whitley Auditorium was completed and dedicated. Soon the Elon College Community Church was holding Sunday morning worship services there, and continued to do so until the completion of its own sanctuary in 1959.

The three story Mooney building was completed in 1926, and became "the first building wholly devoted to Christian education on any college campus in the world." Again, the college shared a new facility with the Community Church. Except for a brief interim in 1943-1944 when the college "went to war", at which time the northeast side of the campus was turned over to the 325th College Training Detachment of the Army Air Forces, Sunday School classes were held on the third floor of Mooney building.

Two significant changes occurred in the life of the church during the thirties and forties. In 1931 the Congregational and Christian denominations voted to merge, and shortly afterward the name of the local church became the Elon College Community Church (Congregational Christian). Also a dream, and goal of the congregation set in 1897 became a reality. In 1946 Dr. J. H. Dollar became its first minister "distinct" from the college.

Following the end of World War II many military materials and buildings became available for civilian purchase. Alerted to the possibility of a church building of its own, a committee chaired by J. Mark McAdams

bought a surplus chapel from Camp Davis in 1948. Several men of our congregation went by truck to the post, dismantled the chapel and reassembled it in its present location. All this at a total cost of both land, building, and extra labor for about $20,000. The cost that could not be estimated was the determination and diligence of the men of the church who saw the project through to its completion The new facility was named the Elon College Community Church Parish House. By the spring of 1949 it was in "welcome" use, and has proved of inestimable value to Church and Community ever since.

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TORCHGLEAMS

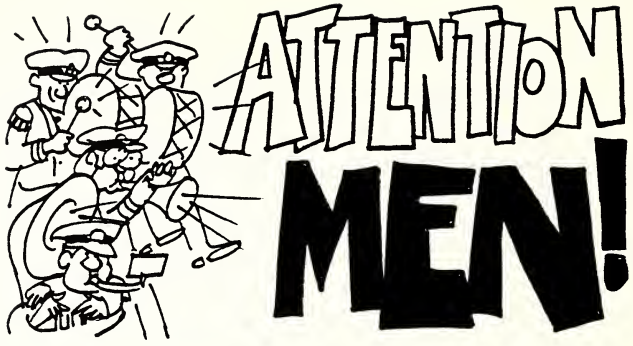
Virginia Richardson was hospitalized at Alamance Memorial on June 22nd for a severe allergic reaction to a sulfa drug and spent a very uncomfortable weekend...

Charles Wilkins leaves July 2nd for the beginning of his duty as an officer in the U. S. Army. He will undergo training at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. He graduated two years ago from the R.O.T.C. program at Duke University, took a year off for study on a Fulbright Scholarship at the University of Amman in Jordan, and then waited a year for the Army to call him to duty. Charles, we wish you Godspeed...

Bill Sloan suffered a slight stroke several weeks ago but did not have to be hospitalized, we're glad to report. He's back in his own apartment at Twin Lakes...

Steve Ten Eyck was presented with a plaque during worship on his last Sunday as our music director, and at a reception afterward, he was given a cash gift from the congregation. After that members of the choir, church staff, and music committee and their spouses gathered at the parsonage for a farewell dinner for Steve. **Ellen Barney Williams** joined forces with Steve, singing two lovely solos at worship, to make his last day with us a special day musically. The last of his preludes was Brahms' "Farewell, Now I Must Leave Thee". Steve, we will miss you...

We had hoped to be able to announce who Dr. Ten Eyck's successor would be at the same time he left. Negotiations had been completed and the candidates (a couple) had accepted the job, one as organist-choirmaster and the other as junior choir director. But several days later they decided against accepting. The Music Committee continues to seek a replacement. Remember the Committee and its work in your prayers...



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Time: 8:00 AM Sunday, July 15 (dodge the July 4th week).
Place: Parish House.

IMPORTANT! We are going to support a softball team in the Area Men's tournament that will take place in August. This is a significant event in that it brings together some of our young people- and maybe some who are not so young; also, the $150 entry fee that we pay first of all pays tournament expenses, but more importantly, the money left over after expenses goes into the Area scholarship fund. This year, eight college scholarships will be awarded to children from our Burlington Area UCC churches. In addition to the $150 entry fee we need $100 for T-shirts and other items of equipment for our team. Right now we have $104, Which means that we must do some fund raising. Any profits from the July 15 breakfast will go to this enterprise, as will any further donations that our hungry men might make on that occasion. Also, any persons who wish to sponsor a team member at a suggested $20 each should get in touch with W. J. Andes, Biff Brafford, Ray Covington, Jim Griswold, Paul Cheek, or Gayland Welborn; checks should be made out to Men's Fellowship, ECCC; but don't be intimidated b the $20 figure- any amount will be appreciated. We will provid information at the breakfast on the purchase of a T-shirt bearing our church name, by any individual who wishes to show support by wearing one.

Watch the next TORCH for information on the sale of barbeque, profits from which also go to the Area scholarship fund. Meanwhile, let's see each other at breakfast on July 15, at which time we will have an informative program.

Hospice League
Alamance - Caswell
Super Flea Market*
August 3-4
8 A.M. -

I-85 Plaza, Ext. 143
Ramada Rd.

* All proceeds from League fundraisers go directly to building and maintaining a free-standing Hospice care facility to house our terminally ill who have no home or caretaker.

Clean out your closets, attics, garages - - We need your "treasures!"

For information or pick-up call: 570-5200

JULY BIRTHDAYS

2 - Holt Sutton

3 - Dewey T. Holt
Frances Longest

4 - Kim Shomaker
Jeff Wilkins, III
Don Williamson

6 - Mark Danieley

7 - Jeff D. Wilkins

8 - Josie Huey

9 - Tom Edgerton
Earl Parker
Rita Snyder

10 - Ken Stickles
Charlotte Bolton

11 - Lou Harper

13 - Scott Dollar
George W. Colclough
Adelia Truitt
Christy Rich

15 - Susan Hemphill

17 - Bill Barbee

20 - Sue Brown

21 - Winifred Barney
Robert Baxter
Reuben Seamster

22 - Irma Seamster

23 - Phyllis Newnam

24 - Wayne Bunting
Fred Holt

25 - Jackie Pendergrass
Chris Vickers

28 - Earl Danieley
Cindy Rinker Lamond

29 - Kala Vickers
David Young

30 - Lorene Lyon
Elizabeth Lohr-Myers

31 - Caroline Y. Powell

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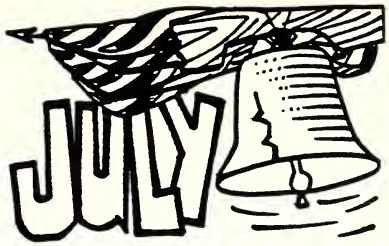
Total Loose Offerings	2,779.09	3,000.00	1,260.00	1,217.50
Total Interest Earned	1,278.35	1,045.00	0.00	618.00
Total Fund Raising	302.45	550.00	0.00	0.00
Total Rental Income	2,736.85	4,100.00	210.00	1,231.50
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	1,944.88	1,715.00	695.00	1,059.85
TOTAL REVENUE	131,534.61	132,072.00	53,153.84	51,780.10
EXPENDITURES				
Total Local Mission	3,165.58	4,000.00	1,216.00	1,012.10
Total UCC Ministries	15,910.57	16,850.00	7,800.00	4,439.00
Total World Ministries	1,360.00	2,050.00	150.00	1,977.85
Total Other Mission Expense	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL MISSIONS	20,436.15	22,950.00	9,166.00	7,428.95
Total Worship Services	1,507.06	860.00	208.75	385.20
Total Evangelism	468.37	500.00	240.00	167.51
Total Music Programs	10,902.76	10,612.00	4,142.92	4,230.48
TOTAL WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM	12,878.19	11,972.00	4,591.67	4,783.19
Total Program - Christian Ed.	4,386.20	4,700.00	1,553.00	1,447.55
Total Personnel - Christian Ed.	9,835.32	11,042.00	4,281.22	4,545.73
TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	14,221.52	15,742.00	5,834.22	5,993.28
Total Building Expense	26,612.47	28,140.00	13,660.00	13,146.48
Total Personnel	7,090.46	6,368.00	2,610.88	2,896.31
Total Operating Expense	2,013.54	1,925.00	945.75	638.41
TOTAL CHURCH FACILITIES	35,716.47	36,433.00	17,216.63	16,681.20
Total Program	299.16	320.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personnel	46,778.96	48,315.00	18,392.51	17,916.86
Total Operating Expense	350.51	350.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL LEADERSHIP	47,428.63	48,985.00	18,392.51	17,916.86
TOTAL OTHER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	130,680.96	136,082.00	55,201.03	52,803.48
EXCESS/(DEF) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE	853.65	(4,010.00)	(2,047.19)	(1,023.38

JULY CALENDAR



1	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
5	-	7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education
8	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		7:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
9	-	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
10	-	7:30 p.m.	Executive Committee Afterschool Program
11	-	7:30 p.m.	Board of Trustees
			CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP July 11-15
15	-	8:00 a.m.	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
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DIVORCE RECOVERY WORKSHOP

A Divorce Recovery Workshop will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 until 9:00 p.m. beginning on July 17 and ending on August 21. The workshop will be held here at the church and is sponsored by the Board of Christian Education. Leaders will be Richard and Wendy McBride. The purpose of the workshop is to aid in healing past wounds and setting new goals for the future and to enable the participants to rediscover and celebrate the presence of God in the midst of divorce. Session titles include: Feelings of Divorce, Coping with our Past, Children of Divorce, Using our Anger, A New Identity, and Forming New Goals. Cost for the workshop is $15 and childcare is available for a small contribution. If you or someone you know is going through a divorce, or has recently been divorced, please call the church office to get a registration form. "Word of mouth" is going to be important in finding participants for this important event.

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VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL WILL BE JULY 16-20 THIS YEAR. MARK YOUR CALENDARS SO YOU WON'T MISS IT!

Queen Anne's Lace

by William D. Ellis

I was almost an hour out from town, when I stopped
Beside some farmer's field, and to my great delight
I waded knee-deep in a wealth of white.
As far as eye could see, a snowy quilt
Was thrown across the hills with studied grace,
A quilt, all pieced together with exquisite lace.
"Flowers for my love", I thought, and, happily
Set to work, I picked a showy spray,
And then in triumph carried it away.
My love flew to meet me at the gate,
Peering to see whatever I held behind me,
And never had she looked at me so kindly
As at that moment, all anticipating
The lovely gift. I couldn't keep her waiting,
So I handed her my treasure from the hill.
I looked into her eyes, and my heart stood still.
The flowers fell, and I cried out, "Your bouquet-"
"Wild carrots!", she said, and swept away.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Greeters

		Flowers
July 1	Ruth and Paul Cheek	E. Danieley
8	Ruth Dunn and Adelia Truitt	J. Wilkins
15	Mona and Ray Covington	Lessie Longe
22	Elizabeth and Earl Parker	Lois Luke
29	Estelle and Stan Willard	M. Albertson

Acolytes

July 1	Tara McKenna and Lydia Troxler
8	Matt Mayse and Chris Harris
15	Emily Woody and Heidi Troxler
22	Elizabeth Mayse and Marie Acquilano
29	Scott Williamson and Shawn McKenna

Ushers

July 1	Mike Mayse, Dee Atkinson, Travis Loy, Bill Barbee, Earl Parker.
8	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Robert Woody.
15	Ken Harper, David Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, Kristin Wilkins.
22	Sibyl White, Willard White, Vic Vickers, Chris Vickers, George Troxler.
29	Ed Simons, Jeff Wilkins, Walter Boyd, Jim Lyon.

Nursery

July 1	Kristin Wilkins	22 -	Cile Welborn
8	Lou Harper	29	Lou Harper
15	Andrea Albertson		

Child Care During Worship

July 1	Louis or Kristin Wilkins and Brian Harper
8	Wilma Williamson and Ryan Harris
15	Sue Brown and Christy Rich
22	Brian Rose and Beth Tickle
29	Lou Harper and Rob Woody

Church Attendance for June

3 - 94	17 - 124
10 - 116	24 - 142

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

June 17th.

The sermon by our pastor will be "Come To A Full Stop" from Psalm 46. Hymns will include "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty," "Jesus Calls Us," and "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind."

June 24th.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "What To Fear, and What Not" from Matthew 10:24-33. The hymns will be "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven," "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go," and "O Day of God, Draw Nigh."

July 1st.

"Wrestling in the Dark" will be the title of Dr. Irvine's sermon, based on the stories of Jacob at the River Jabbok and of Jesus in Gethsemane (Genesis 32:3-31; Luke 22:39-54. Hymns will include "How Firm A Foundation," "Go To Dark Gethsemane," and "For All the Saints."

July 8th.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "Hidden From the Wise" from Matthew 11:25 (read verses 25-30). Hymns will include "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise," "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," and "God of Grace and God of Glory."

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THANK-YOU NOTE

To our friends at Elon,

We want to thank all of you for the kindness and support you've shown us during the past months. We cherish our friendship with so many wonderful people in Elon and will always remember that you cared so much when we needed it. Please accept our appreciation for everything.

Joe and Carol Lowe

FAREWELL TO DR. TEN EYCK JUNE 24TH

Dr. Steven Ten Eyck has been our Organist and Choirmaster for just a few months short of five years. He leaves his position with us effective the end of this month. He will be devoting full time to his career as a college professor of music. Especially he intends to spend more time in connection with state and national choral music organizations.

Steve has brought many artistic gifts to his position, both musical and visual; and the students he has recruited for our choir have greatly enriched our music program. Our choir members have learned a great deal working under his leadership. We are grateful for his work with us and wish him well in his future endeavors.

Negotiations are under way for a replacement. We had hoped by the time this TORCH was published to have an announcement but we could not complete them by the deadline.

The Music Committee and the Board of Deacons invite you to attend a reception for Steve in the Parish House immediately after worship on June 24th, Steve's last Sunday with us.

We would like to present Steve with a farewell gift from the congregation. If you would like to contribute to this, please make your check out to Roberta Starr with the subnotation "Ten Eyck Gift" and mail or bring it to the church office, or put it in the offering plate June 17th. (Do not make the check out to the church; doing so for a staff gift requires the church treasurer to declare it as income for the staff member, increasing social security payments and making it taxable income to the recipient.)

Tom Conally

Chairman, Music Committee

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!

Recent college graduates in our church family include Christopher Bunting from UNC-Greensboro, **Maria Parker** from Appalachian State University (who completed her studies last December). **Thomas Edward Powell IV** from Elon College, and **David Young** from Wake Forest University.

High school graduates this year include **Ivy Anderson**, **Beverly Beyer**, and **Shannon Hankey**. Ivy will be attending either UNC-Chapel Hill or UNC-Greensboro, Beverly will attend the College of William and Mary, and Shannon will attend Alamance Community College.

Geoff Hamm, grandson of **Sara Dodson**, graduated from Orange High School in Hillsboro and will attend East Carolina University.

We pray for each of these young people much joy as they pursue the next phase of their life story.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES IN -- HAVE YOU PICKED YOURS UP?

Our completed Directories have arrived and if your picture was taken or included in the directory, you may pic up your copy in the church office. Please do not pick your copy up without leaving a note that you have done so; we need to check your name off the list. Many thanks to all who worked on this project and enabled it to happen.

TORCHGLEAMS

Our sympathy to **Richard and Wendy McBride** in the death on June 7th of Wendy's father, Clyde Jones, Jr., in Emporia, Virginia...

Page Edgerton is home from the hospital after surgery and is making a good recovery...**Gertrude Irvine** is well enough to go back to her apartment in Harrisonburg, Virginia, after her hospitalization and a stay in an intermediate care facility...

Beth and Bob Lyon enjoyed a trip back to Williamsburg (where they met at college) for their tenth anniversary this past weekend...

Brenda Butts and Bill Trogdon will be married in Randleman on June 15th at 5:30 p.m.; Dr. Irvine will perform the ceremony. Jacob and Clint will "give their mother away." The family will live in the Asheboro area. We wish the new couple much happiness...

Many thanks to **Biff Brafford and Robin Woody** for their work in changing over the heating system to air conditioning this spring...

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL WILL BE JULY 16-20 THIS YEAR. MARK YOUR CALENDARS SO YOU WON'T MISS IT!

INTRODUCING OUR NEW CUSTODIAN, CHRIS SHOFFNER

Effective July 1st Christopher Shoffner of Gibsonville will become our custodian. For the first time since Richard Daniel served our church we will have a custodian available to us in daylight hours, a more advantageous situation to us.

Chris is 25 years old and is employed as a custodian in the Gibsonville school system, where he works an afternoon shift. He is a graduate of Western Alamance High School. Married and the father of a young son, Chris has built his family's home, which is located on the side of Gibsonville closest to Elon College. He also delivers pizzas for Domino's on weekends.

The Trustees have been favorably impressed by Chris' "go-getter spirit" (as one put it). Trustee Steve Perry, who has known Chris for a long time, recommended him as a candidate for the position.

Chris will be working for us approximately 18 hours a week. Most of those hours will be spent on weekday mornings. He will be responsible to the Board of Trustees through the Pastor. If you see something you feel he should address, please let the Pastor know.

At the end of June we bid farewell to Bobby "Beefy" Farrington and his fellow worker Mike Allen who have been maintaining the church for us since the spring of 1988. We thank them for their work and wish them well.

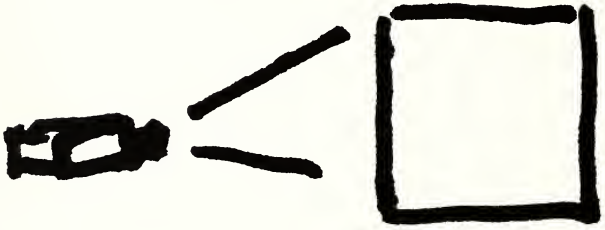
EVERYBODY INVITED! Sunday, June 17, 6 P.M. at the Parish House. Come, bring your family and a covered dish. Planned and hosted by the Women's Fellowship, this Family Banquet is for the whole church family, in honor of families. If there is not a circle member in your family, please call the church office by Friday, June 15 to let us know how many to expect. (Circle members will be called.)

The program, "Our Faith Family(ies)" will be led by Beth Lyon with help from several church families. Child care will be provided during the program for children third grade and younger; older children will be included in the program.

FUN CLUB

TUES. JUNE 19TH

10:30 A.M. PARISH



SLIDE TALK

BY BILL WEST

ON THE

GALAPODOS ISL

(LOCALE OF DARWIN STUDY OF EVOLUTION)

LUNCH AT NICK'S CUISINE

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR GENERAL SYNOD MEETING JUNE 17TH

On June 27th, 1991, General Synod XVIII of the United Church of Christ will convene in Norfolk for six days. General Synod, the denomination's governing meeting, occurs every other summer, and this is the first time it has ever met within the bounds of the Southern Conference. Planning for a General Synod, which some 800 delegates and several thousand visitors attend, is a monumental task.

The Local Arrangements Committee needs financial support from churches of the host conference whenever a General Synod meets. Most of the cost is expense money for the hundreds of volunteers it takes to put on a Synod meeting. The Rev. Dr. Bill Smith, recently retired pastor of Greensboro First Congregational Church, is the chairman of the Local Arrangements Committee for this Synod. "We want those who accept volunteer assignments to attend with the same financial support that is afforded our elected delegates," he writes. "Some we know will bear most of the cost themselves, but we do not want any person who qualifies as a volunteer to miss the experience because he or she cannot afford it. Other typical expenses of local arrangements are for communion elements, flowers and other building decorations, equipment rental for handicapped delegates and visitors, travel for members of the Local Arrangements Committee, extra secretarial help and other support equipment and services."

The Southern Conference Board of Directors is asking for an amount equivalent to $2 per member of each local church to be contributed toward the costs of the Local Arrangements Committee. Our Mission Board has decided to take two offerings, one June 17th and one early in 1991, in answer to this appeal. You can make a check out to the church and subnotate it "General Synod" or place a cash offering in the plate. The loose plate offering will go to this cause.

JUNE CALENDAR

13 - 7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees

17 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
12:00 noon YETS Meeting for Senior Highs and Parents
6:00 p.m. Women's Fellowship Family Banquet

19 - 10:30 a.m. Fun Club

24 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Board of Missions

25 - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group

26 - 7:00 p.m. Centennial Fund Committee

28 - 3:30 p.m. Centennial Committee

30 - 8:45 a.m. Cub Scout Trip to Old Salem

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Beth Lyon will be on vacation June 18 - 24.

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July 15th. Centennial celebrations (continued).

Dr. Wally Snyder will give a "remembrance" as a part of our Centennial year. Dr. Irvine will preach on "The Pilgrim Principle" in an examination of the Congregational roots of our United Church of Christ. (Subsequently during the Centennial year we will be hearing sermons by guest preachers on the other roots of our UCC.) Scriptures are Luke 9:28-37 and Hebrews 11:8-16. Hymns are "We Gather Together," "My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff," and "We Limit Not the Truth of God."

July 22nd.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "The Mystery of Nature" from Romans 8:18-25. Hymns will include "All Creatures of Our God and King," "With Songs and Honors Sounding Loud," and "Fairest Lord Jesus."

July 29th. Homecoming Sunday."

Our former pastor, Dr. Thomas Hamilton, will return as the preacher for this special Sunday celebration. His sermon will be entitled "Faith Journey's Jubilee." The scriptures will be Leviticus 25:1-12, Romans 8:26-30, and Luke 4:16-21. Hymns will include "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling," "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," and "How Firm a Foundation."

August 5th.

The sermon will be on the feeding of the 5000 by Jesus (Matthew 14:13-21), entitled "When God Is Your Host." Hymn will include "When Morning Gilds the Skies," "I Love to Tel the Story," and "Break Thou the Bread of Life."

CENTENNIAL YEAR HOMECOMING TO BE JULY 29

The major summer event in our Centennial Year celebration will be Homecoming Sunday, July 29th. Dr. Thomas Hamilton, our former pastor, will return and preach at the worship service at 11:00, after which a luncheon will be held in the Parish House.

Festivities will begin at 10:30 on the front lawn with registration and refreshments, followed by a time for informal fellowship in the sanctuary until worship begins. Sunday School that morning will be from 9:45 to 10:30.

At this centennial celebration we will be particularly remembering the 19 original signers of the Church Covenant when this church was organized April 19, 1891. We would like to recognize anyone present who is descended from any of these people. We will be prepared to post a "line of descent" from one or more of the Founders to you on a large piece of newsprint, if you will bring with you the details (each name, and dates when possible) of your lineage. Also we hope that you will share any information you have about these Founders of our congregation during the time before worship begins.

The nineteen Founders were: Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Long, Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Herndon, Miss Jennie Herndon, W. S. Long, Jr., B. F. Long, Jr., J. E. Long, Mattie B. Long, Peter A. Long, Mrs. P. A. Long, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Holleman, Miss Berta Moring, Mrs. M. A. Stroud, Rev. H. L. Hines, H. H. Cassady, Rev. J. U. Newman, and Pattie B. Newman.

The Hope for the Middle East

- Gladys Owings Hughes

In rock-strewn fields
where thorns like those
that pierced his brow still thrive,
they will pile high the miles of wire
the bristling barbs contorted swords--
some stained with flesh and blood,
tattered flags of dead soldiers' clothes.

Bulldozers will bury
the monstrous mountain
of barbarous death and thorns
in the parched, briery earth,
cover all with richest loam,
divert living streams
where olive and fig tree will flourish,
grass rest wearied gaze,
where brothers will know no borders
and sheep may graze once more.

TORCHGLEAMS

Bill Terrell, who was honored by being named "Citizen of the Month" of Elon College for June by the Board of Aldermen, fell at home and although he did not break any bones, he did lose a tooth. He was not very well to begin with when the fall occurred, and was hospitalized as a precaution at Alamance Memorial. He has difficulty swallowing...remember him in your prayers, and also the following:

Virginia Richardson is back in her apartment after a stay in one of the respite rooms at Twin Lakes Center. She is recovering slowly from an adverse reaction to a medicine prescribed for her...**Frances Longest** is recovering slowly from a case of shingles...**Bill Sloan** continues to recover from a slight stroke...**Nancy Reddish** was hospitalized over last weekend for a severe virus but is improving...

The Rev. Doug Long, pastor at St. John's UCC in Burlington, and currently president of Habitat for Humanity of Alamance County, announced his resignation last weekend. He and his wife Denise, a member of our Southern Conference staff, and their two children will go to Americus, Georgia, the headquarters of Habitat for Humanity International, where they will enter a training program early in September to prepare them to be Habitat "International Partners." They will be going to a third world country where they will help a new overseas Habitat project get underway. They will not know to what country they will be assigned until they are about five weeks into the extended training program. On top of that there will be a period for training in the local language. Doug has done a splendid job leading the local Habitat group and we wish them well in their new venture...

The local Habitat group held a dedication for its sixth house, on Border Street in Burlington, with about fifty people present, on the afternoon of July 8th. Construction is about to begin, after a few delays which were overcome by the clear workings of Providence, at two adjoining sites on Seventh Street in Burlington...

Congratulations to **Ruth and Alfred Hurst**, who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary June 12th while they were visiting their children in California!...

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

July 16-20 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon our Church will be packed with children, from age 3 through rising 6th graders. Our theme this year is "To Love Is To Do". We will be learning about Heifer Project International. Younger children will focus on a different animal each day. Older children will be studying world hunger and what they can do about it. Cile Welborn is our director this year. Teachers are Janet Mayse, Marie Wilkins, Susan Vickers and Susan Hemphill. John Barbee and Heidi Troxler are doing crafts and Gayland Welborn, Brian Harper and Shawn McKenna will lead recreation. Bring your children, your grandchildren, or your neighbor's children. Don't miss it!

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

Time: 8:00 AM Sunday, July 15, 1990.
Place: Parish House.

We will do some more planning on our sponsorship of our softball team that will play in the Area UCC tournament on August 6-11; also, we will firm up our sales procedure for tickets to the barbeque event at the Haw River Christian Church, UCC, on Saturday, August 4. Profits from both of thes events support our Area college scholarship fund; see TO THE CONGREGATION From the Men elsewhere in this issue of the TORC At the breakfast we will have a brief talk by either the Rev. James Rosser, pastor of our Haw River Christian Church, UCC, his son Jimmy, telling us something of the work that their me are doing.

Do you wish to be a member of the above softball team- or do you know someone who does? Get in touch with Coach Bill Blanchard or with Associate Coach Ken Harper.

And do you bake pies and/or cakes? These will be welcome at t Parish House on Saturday, August 4 at 9:30 AM, at which time they will be transported to the Haw River Christian Church, U for sale at the barbeque event.

Paul Cheek

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP RETREAT

On Saturday, August 4 from 10 A.M. to 12 noon, The Women's Fellowship will gather at The Lodge for a closing retreat. (In case of inclement weather such as extreme heat we will meet at the Parish House instead.) We will first meet in circles to finish each circle's business for the current year. Then, after a refreshment break, we will all join together for the program, "A Faith Story", led by Sara Dodson and Nancy Lu Irvine. All women are invited!

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FIRST OFFERING FOR GENERAL SYNOD

The offering to assist in the costs of hosting General Synod within the bounds of the Southern Conference received on June 17th amounted to $ 112.37. The Board of Missions has decided to receive another special offering for this cause during the fall, as well as one in the winter, in order to reach the overall requested gift of $2 per member asked for by the Conference.

JULY CALENDAR

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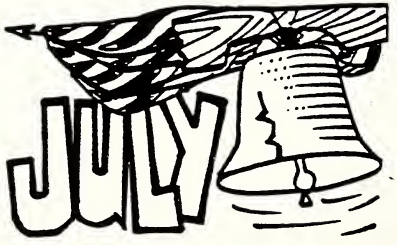


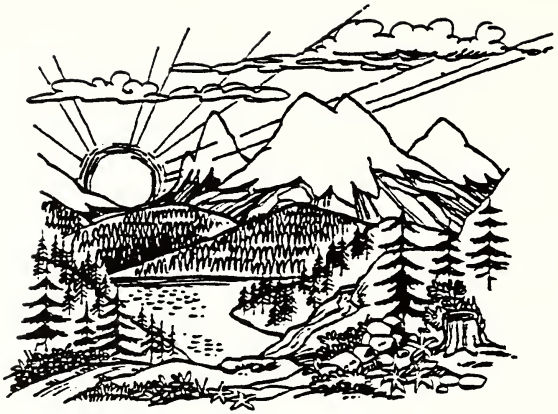
TO THE CONGREGATION- From the Men

This is about college scholarships, softball, and barbeque.

Each year the Burlington Area UCC men award about eight college scholarships to young people of our Area churches. In the past, some of our own young people have received these scholarships. Primary sources of funds for this enterprise are the entry fees paid by our UCC churches' softball teams who play in our Area softball tournament (August 6-11, this year), and the sale of barbeque plates (Saturday, August 4 this year at the Haw River Christian Church, UCC).

Our local men's group will provide the $150 entry fee for our own softball team guided by Coach Bill Blanchard and Associate Coach Ken Harper. As for the barbeque- this is where everyone comes in. This meal consists of an excellent barbeque plate with beverage and dessert. Tickets at $5.00 each are available at our church office or from W. J. Andes, Bill Blanchard, E. W. Brafford, Paul Cheek, Ray Covington, Jim Griswold, Gayland Welborn, Jim Underhill. Ticket-holders may present their tickets at the fellowship hall of the Haw River Christian Church, UCC, between the hours of 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM on Saturday, August 4, where the meal may be consumed on the premises, or where take-out plates will be available. Do yourself and our young people a favor, and purchase lots of tickets!

Paul Cheek



DIVORCE RECOVERY WORKSHOP

A Divorce Recovery Workshop will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 until 9:00 p.m. beginning on July 17 and ending on August 21. The workshop will be held here at the church and is sponsored by the Board of Christian Education. Leaders will be Richard and Wendy McBride. The purpose of the workshop is to aid in healing past wounds and setting new goals for the future and to enable the participants to rediscover and celebrate the presence of God in the midst of divorce. Session titles include: Feelings of Divorce, Coping with our Past, Children of Divorce, Using our Anger, A New Identity, and Forming New Goals. Cost for the workshop is $15 and childcare is available for a small contribution. If you or someone you know is going through a divorce, or has recently been divorced, please call the church office to get a registration form. "Word of mouth" is going to be important in finding participants for this important event.

Hospice League
Alamance - Caswell
Super Flea Market*
August 3-4
8 A.M. -

I-85 Plaza, Ext. 143
Ramada Rd.

* All proceeds from League fundraisers go directly to building and maintaining a free-standing Hospice care facility to house our terminally ill who have no home or caretaker.

Clean out your closets, attics, garages - - We need your "treasures!"

For information or pick-up call:
570-5200

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH MEMORIALS

March 25, 1990 to June 30, 1990

Mr. Wilkes E. Lowe, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. George Shumar
Mr. and Mrs. Roland Longest

Mrs. Leffie T. Lowe
Mr. and Mrs. Cary R. Matlock,
Ron and Kay
Mrs. Nell B. Foust
Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Terrell
Rev. and Mrs. Charles Terrell
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hughes
Mrs. Ann Reynolds
Mr. and Mrs. Warren Jeffreys
Mrs. H. H. Cunningham,
Ann, Margaret and Jama
Miss Elna Huey
Mrs. Chester Huey

Mr. Kenneth S. Clem
Mr. and Mrs. Roland Longest
The Southern Two Stepper Dance Club
Miss Caroline Powell
Ms. Frances L. Allen
Mr. A. Peter Clem

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Mr. James M. Simpson
Mrs. Maxine P. Gividen
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Mrs. Chester Huey
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Miss Caroline Powell
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Mrs. Kate S. McAdams
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Mrs. Chester C. Huey

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June 30, 1990

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1990 No. 13
July 25, 1990

Dr. John M. Irvine, Jr., Pastor
Dr. William J. Andes and
Dr. Alfred W. Hurst,
Pastors Emeriti
Rev. Beth Gassert Lyon,
Associate Pastor

THE TORCH

AN EXTRA SPECIAL
ISSUE INVITING YOU
TO HOMECOMING SUNDAY
July 29, 1990.

CENTENNIAL HOMECOMING SUNDAY TO BE JULY 29TH

Dr. Thomas Hamilton, former pastor of our church, will return and preach the sermon at our Centennial Homecoming service next Sunday at 11 a.m. Dr. Hamilton is on the staff of the Central Atlantic Conference of the United Church of Christ, where he serves as the Area Conference Minister for the Chesapeake and Catoctin Associations (which are located almost entirely in Maryland). His sermon will be entitled "Faith Journey's Jubilee." A quartet of church members will provide special music.

PRELIMINARIES

Sunday School begins at 9:45 and ends at 10:30, when everyone is invited to gather in the church's front yard for refreshments and registration. In case of inclement weather the refreshments will be served in the Narthex. Then everyone is invited to gather in the sanctuary for a time of informal fellowship until the worship hour begins at 11:00.

Our Sunday School classes will welcome you. We have three adult classes (Adult Bible Class, Seeker's Class, and Younger Adult Class) plus age-graded classes for youth and children and a nursery for infants.

THE HOMECOMING DINNER

After worship a meal will be served in the Parish House. If the weather permits some tables and chairs will be set up outside for those who wish to eat under the shade trees; others may eat in the Parish House (which is air conditioned). Visitors need not feel obliged to bring food; our members are asked to bring extra food and beverages for our guests. The church will provide paper goods, utensils, and ice.

SPECIAL FEATURE OF THIS HOMECOMING

Since this Homecoming falls during our Centennial year, we are using the occasion to lift up--as a part of our ongoing celebration--the nineteen Founders of our congregation, who on April 19, 1891, signed the original covenant that began the Elon College Christian Church (as it was known until 1923). We are especially interested in recognizing anyone who is a descendant of any of these people, and we would like to post a chart on newsprint tracing your line of descent from the Founder(s) if you are a descendant. We ask that you bring a simple chart worked out on a small piece of paper. If you have the birthdates and deathdates of your forebears include them as well as the names.

Toward the end of the informal time for fellowship in the sanctuary before the worship begins, we will recognize these Founders and all of their descendants present. If you know of any facts that you could share about any of the Founders at that time, it will help those spiritual forebears come alive for the rest of us.

Our nineteen Founders were: Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Long, Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Herndon, Miss Jennie Herndon, W. S. Long, Jr., B. F. Long, Jr., J. E. Long, Mattie B. Long, Peter A. Long, Mrs. P. A. Long, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Holleman, Miss Berta Moring, Mrs. M. A. Stroud, Rev. H. L. Hines, H. H. Casaday, Rev. J. U. Newman, and Pattie B. Newman.

NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC TO BE BETTY WALKER

Betty Miller Walker, a resident of Elon College, will begin work as our Music Director in mid-August. Her first Sunday will be August 19th. The Church Council approved her employment on recommendation from the Music Committee at its meeting July 22nd.

Mrs. Walker has been the organist and choir director at Union Ridge United Church of Christ since she moved to this area in 1979. A native of Florence, South Carolina, she graduated from Meredith College in Raleigh in 1954 with a B. A. and majors in organ and voice; and she earned from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1956, a Master of Sacred Music degree with a major in organ. She served for 12 years as organist and choir director at First Baptist Church in Lenoir, for one year at First Baptist Church in Wilson, and for ten years as organist and choir director in Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church in Elizabeth City. In each position she has led children's as well as adult choirs, and in Elizabeth City began a handbell program.

Betty and Jack Walker run the Walker Dance Studio in the former Matlock Building at the corner of Manning and West Haggard Avenues. Betty is the creator of the remarkable garden in the yard of that building. She works during the week at Burlington Day School where she is the Administrative Assistant, and she teaches piano privately.

We are delighted to have a musician of her background to work with our choirs and help lead our worship. She wil also be available to play for funeral services as needed.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL A SUCCESS

Fifty-three children attended this year's vacation church school and enthusiastically raised some $300 through offerings and T-shirt sales for Heifer Project International--enough to send three heifers overseas to provide milk for a needy family. More about this in the next TORCH. We thank all who helped in this event July 16 through 20.

CENTENNIAL SUNDAY TO BE APRIL 14TH

The President of the United Church of Christ, Dr. Paul Sherry, will deliver the sermon when we climax our Centennial Year, on April 14th, 1991. Mark the date and come!

CHURCH SOFTBALL TEAM NEEDS PLAYERS

Every August we join other UCC churches in a softball tournament. If you would like to play, call Bill Blanchar at 584-1214 (work) or 584-7915 (home).

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THE TORCH

Published semi-monthly
during the weeks prior to
the first and third Sundays.

LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

August 5th.
The sermon will be on the feeding of the 5000 by Jesus (Matthew 14:13-21), entitled "When God Is Your Host." Hymns will include "When Morning Gilds the Skies," "I Love to Tell the Story," and "Break Thou the Bread of Life."

August 12th. Communion Sunday.
Dr. Irvine's meditation will be on "The Hurricane's Eye" from Matthew 14:22-33. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed. Hymns will include "Morning Has Broken," "Rock of Ages," and "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go."

Many thanks to Dr. Dorcas Lohr, who is filling in at the organ for three Sunday mornings July 29 through August 12th until Betty Walker begins on the 19th.

Dr. Irvine will be on vacation from August 16th through September 5th.

August 19th. "Football" Sunday.
Chaplain Richard McBride will be preaching and the Rev. Beth Lyon will be liturgist. More details in the next TORCH.

August 26th.
Rev. Lyon will be preaching this and the following Sundays.

A PICTORIAL HISTORY FOR OUR CHURCH

The Centennial Committee decided that one of its major projects would--if feasible--be the creation of a book to publish in connection with our Centennial year. Since we have an excellent selection of photographs from much of the church's life, and since there have been other written histories of the church from time to time, the Committee has decided that this volume should be a pictorial history. Commitee member and history professor Dr. Carole Troxler has agreed to write the text that would tie together the pictures chosen. After reviewing the available pictures, she says that if we think of our photograph collection as a mine, there are several "pockets" of especially rich "ore"--for example, generations of Vacation Bible School shots, a good documentation of Sunday Schools meeting in Mooney Building, weekday Kindergarten during the '50s and '60s, and all sorts of things going on in the Parish House. There are also other fine pictures of significant events in the church's history.

Dr. Troxler envisions using about 80 photographs in theis book, thematically arranged. Her table of contents would include: I. Beginnings: Building on a Heritage. 2."Community" Church: A Decisive Name Change. 3. Congregational Christian Cornerstone. 4. A More Tangible "Church." 5. More Community Places and Sacred Spaces. 6. Scenes of a Century.

The costs of printing such a book have been investigated. The Committee feels that a printing of 200 copies is the minimum necessary to produce the book envisioned. That would mean a cost of $10.00 per volume. A smaller number printed would run the cost significantly higher. The books can be ready by December 1st for gifts to friends or family. At the Homecoming service we asked for reservations to be made and received approximately 115. The Committee was encouraged by this response and decided at its meeting the next day to proceed with the project.

If you have not yet reserved a copy or copies and would like to place an order, please notify the church office of the number you would like to have.

TORCHGLEAMS

Congratulations to **Robin Townsley**, who will be married to **David Arcus** next May 18th at her home church in Pennsylvania. David is Associate Organist at Duke Chapel in Durham and was the only entrant from the USA accepted for this summer's international improvisation contest for organists at Haarlem in the Netherlands. Robin has been working this summer as a student in the Clinical Pastoral Education Program at the Alamance Health Services. She has been serving as a chaplain in the Skilled Nursing Division and also working some in the Home Nursing part of the hospital system. She commutes from her home in Durham. Her program ends on August 2nd and she will go home for a few weeks to make some wedding plans. She expects to graduate from Duke Divinity School a week before her wedding. Robin and David were here for our Homecoming Sunday July 29th...

Congratulations also to **Rob Woody** and **Brian Rose** who served as pages in the North Carolina House of Representatives, each for a week, during the month of June-- Brian for the second straight year. Both were honor students at Western Alamance High School this year...

Bill Terrell is still in Alamance Memorial Hospital and doing a little better; as are **Virginia Richardson** and **Nancy Reddish. Sam Foster** is back home after his recent hospitalization, we're glad to say. **Vera Dixon** is managing to get around some despite a painful toe injury...

Thanks to everyone who helped make our Homecoming Sunday such a successful event: the women who cleaned up the kitchen on Friday so thoroughly, the men who set up tables and chairs, and all who cooked or prepared the delicious food, folks too numerous to try to name. One long-termer in our congregation said that was the most food he had ever seen in the Parish House! And special thanks from the Centennial Committee to Edith Brannock who put together that fine historical display on our church's founders...210 folks attended worship this Homecoming; last year there were 195...

CENTENNIAL HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

Each month during our Centennial year, the first two Sundays a display of historical materials will be on display in the Narthex. These have been prepared by members of the Centennial Committee. Mary Shaw Cunningham has written the following explanatory notes to support the August display:

HISTORY HIGHLIGHT #4

The dream began soon after the band of nineteen drew up their church covenent, the members wanted a church building of their own. A definite step was taken in 1898 when the women of the church organized a Ladies Aid Society. About six months later they tried to obtain a lot for a church. When this proved unsuccessful they turned their energies toward general church needs. However, by 1900 they had $125.00 on hand just in case an opportunity became available to secure a lot, or errect a church.

In 1922, reacting to a report that the Methodist denomination proposed to build a church in Elon College, a building committee was appointed and a site hopefully chosen by the congregation. Even though the plan for a Methodist church was dropped, the building committee approached the college trustees for an option on the Michael property on Williamson Avenue. The Trustees generously responded with a gift of "as much of the Michael property as might be needed for a church and parsonage." A parsonage was built soon afterward on this land, but the church could not finance a sanctuary.

Rev. J. H. Dollar became minister in 1946, and he emphasized the concern for a church building. Again, the congregation could not raise the money for a sanctuary, but a parish house was secured.

Rev. Howard P. Bozarth arrived as new minister in 1950, and the dream of a sanctuary was renewed. In 1953-54, a building fund canvass was launched by the Laymen's Fellowship. Some pledges were made but an all-out drive was not completed by the time of Dr. Bozarth's resignation in 1954.

Dr. William J. Andes was Dr. Bozarth's successor. He came from a family with many ties to Elon College. About a year after his arrival the parish house was officially dedicated and the mortgage burned.

Under the leadership and encouragement of Dr. Andes the church set to work with "renewed vigor" to obtain a sanctuary. A building fund committee led by Ralph Oxford and Biff (E.W.) Brafford as chairmen,

organized the Laymen's Fellowship in an every member canvass to obtain pledges. With pledges from this drive in hand, plus funds already received from the canvass of 1953-54, the church "proceeded with actual plans for the edifice." It should be noted that the Women's Fellowship long desirous and supportive of a sanctuary, held two turkey dinner/ bazaars in 1958 and 1959, raising over $2,000 to add to the building fund.

On August 16, 1959, 68 years after the beginning of the dream the first worship service was held in the beautiful new sanctuary...Realization a last.

During the late 1950's another important progression took place in the life of the congregation. In July 1956, Dr. Andes and Mark McAdams attended the General Council meeting of the Congregational Christian Church in Omaha, Nebraska. The Council voted overwhelmingly in favor of the proposed merger of Congregational Christians with the Evangelica and Reformed group. In 1961 the Elon College congregation voted to become a part of the United Church of Christ. The Elon College Community Church (Congregational Christian) then became the Elon Colleg Community Church (United Church of Christ).

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WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP RETREAT

Remember the Retreat this Saturday, August 4, 10:00 a.m. until 12 noo at the Lodge. All women are invited. Don't miss this opportunity fo fellowship and inspiration in a relaxed setting.

SPECIAL WORSHIP EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR
3rd, 4th and 5th GRADERS

On August 12, 19 and 26th there will be a series of special worship education programs for children entering 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades. On August 12 Dr. Irvine will present an overview of worship. On August 19 Beth Lyon will do a lesson on prayer and on August 26 she will lead a session on communion. These programs will take place during the church school hour in the children's regular classroom. There will be no regular church school class for this age group on those dates. "Graduation" will be celebrated during worship on August 26th.

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Women's Fellowship

There will be a meeting of the Executive Board of the Women's Fellowship on Sunday, August 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Library. We hope all women on this Committee will plan to attend.

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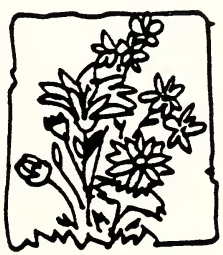
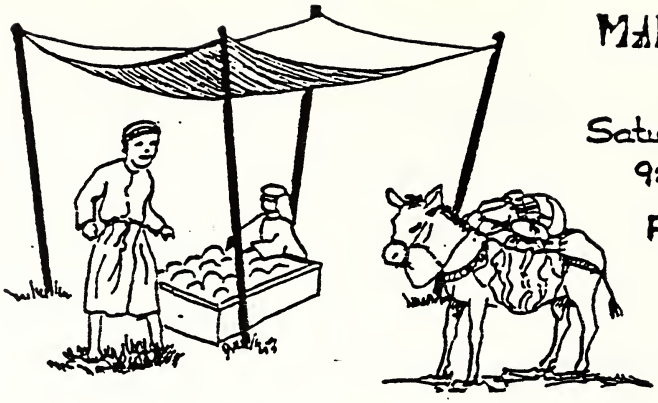
The Flower Calendar for the coming year is currently in the process of being put together. If you would like to place flowers in the church during 1990-1991 please call Jackie Pendergrass at 584-7547 or Carey Andes at 584-3310.





MARKETPLACE 29 A.D.

Saturday September 8
9:00 AM to 3:00 pm
First Christian UCC
415 S. Church St.
Burlington
Contact: Pat Cadle
226-7428

MARKETPLACE 29 A.D.

Your children are invited to a one day experience reliving Bible events, occupations, and relationships that will acquaint them with their Christian heritage. The children will be members of families living in a Palestinian village around 29 A.D. They will experience what it was like to participate in family worship, ritual, and responsibilities, and what it was like participating in the social and economic life of the community.

Through active involvement as apprentices in the marketplace and living in small family clusters, they will grow in their relationship with God and learn some of the Jewish customs of Bibletimes. As they respond to the street theatre dramas of the Bible, the children will be helped to understand that the Bible is about real people.

A registration fee of $2.50 per child is necessary to cover the costs of this experiential learning event. Registration is limited to 100 children. Please complete the registration form below and return with payment by August 24. Each child should bring a sack lunch. Drinks will be furnished. Children grades K-6.

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NAME_____ PHONE_____
Last First

ADDRESS_____

AGE_____ BOY_____ GIRL_____ GRADE COMPLETED_____

HOME CHURCH_____ REGISTRATION FEE ENCLOSED_____
($2.50 each child)

SPECIAL NOTES_____

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Parent's Signature Student's Signature

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Friday, August 24, 1990

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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1 - T. E. Powell III
Steve Ten Eyck

2 - Melinda T. Reinheimer

3 - David Harper
Heather Denise Jordan

4 - Robert F. Woody III

9 - David Byers
Tim Vickers

10 - Charles Terrell

11 - Kenneth Hughes
Mona Covington

12 - Maria Parker
Laura Brown

13 - Alfred W. Hurst
Katie Brown
Norma Matlock

17 - Malvin Artley Sr.
Del Atkinson
Lorie Ann Smith
Matthew Mayse
Evella Sutton

18 - Sandy Allen

19 - Mary Louise Boyd
W. R. Pendergrass Sr.

21 - Thomas L. Smith
Greg Bunting
Meg Wilkins

22 - Frances Powell
Dana Currin Holt

23 - Kay Allen

24 - Nathan Allen

25 - Sheldon Cheek
Graham Cheek
Macon Albertson

26 - Ruth Dunn

28 - John Powell
Jim Powell

29 - Elna Huey

AUGUST CALENDAR

2 - 7:30 p.m. Board of Christian Education

4 - 10:00 a.m. Women's Fellowship Retreat at the Lodge
(Parish House if bad weather)

5 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

6 - 10:30 a.m. UCC Clergy Group
7:00 p.m. Committee for the Second Century

7 - 7:30 p.m. Divorce Workshop

8 - 7:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship Executive Committee

12 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
7:30 p.m. Board of Deacons

14 - 7:30 p.m. Divorce Workshop
7:30 p.m. Evangelism Committee

15 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

19 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Board of Missions

21 - 7:30 p.m. Divorce Workshop

22 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

26 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

29 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE TO BEGIN AUGUST 15TH

Betty Walker, our new choir director and organist, will be scheduling adult choir practice on Wednesday evenings, beginning at 7:30. First rehearsal will be August 15th. Her first Sunday worship with us will be August 19th. She plans to have Sunday choir practice in the music room beginning at 10:30 and those teaching in the church school could come at 10:40.

September 19th she plans to start "Young Musicians' choir" practice and children's handbell choir practice as part of a larger afternoon program for children on Wednesday afternoons. More details on this program will be published soon.

LAST CALL FOR SOFTBALL PLAYERS

If you would like to play on our church's softball team in the upcoming UCC tournament, call Bill Blanchard, team manager, at 584-1214 (work) or 584-7915 (home). The tournament will be held the week of August 5th.

BARCBECUE DINNER KICKS OFF SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT THIS YEAR

Saturday, August 4th, between 11 a.m. and 8 p.m., a barbecue dinner will be held at the Haw River Christian Church, sponsored by the District Men's Fellowship of the UCC, which also sponsors the annual softball tournament. Both ventures are a fund-raiser to provide scholarships to UCC high school graduates for their first year in college. At the recent quarterly meeting of the District Fellowship, nine $500 scholarships were awarded to deserving UCC youth from the Alamance-Caswell area. If you would like tickets to the barbecue ($5 each) speak to any member of the Men's Fellowship, or call the church office.

POETIC FLAME NEWS

Beverly Beyer and John Hemphill were both featured in **Shared Thoughts: Poetry Written by People in Southern Conference Churches.** Each of them had a number of poems published in the volume.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

The building rocked with activity July 16th through th 20th as 53 children participated in Vacation Church School here at Elon College Community Church. Our theme this year was "To Love Is To Do" and we used materials from Heifer Project International. The children raised over $300 through their offering and T-shirt sales, enough to send 3 cows overseas through Heifer Project. Our deepest thanks t those who made it all possible: Cile Welborn, director; teachers Janet Mayse, Marie Wilkins, Susan Vickers, and Susan Hemphill; John Barbee and Heidi Troxler, who led arts and crafts; Gayland Welborn, Brian Harper, and Shawn McKenna, who led recreation, Rob Woody and Scott Williamson who were teachers aides (Scott helped with recreation as well!); Sue, Jamie, and Katie Brown who kept the nursery fo teachers; Nora Griswold and the Women's Fellowship who provided snacks; Paul Cheek who took wonderful pictures, an Cary and Bill Andes who kept us all sane by answering the phone and doing other chores in Roberta's absence. It was great (if exhausting) week! Thanks and congratulations to all who made it possible.

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD ENDING
June 30 1990

	1989 ACTUAL	1990 BUDGET	BUDGET TO DATE	ACTUAL TO DATE
SOURCES OF INCOME				
Total Pledged Income	114,762.85	115,002.00	54,300.94	52,740.36
Total Special Contributions	7,730.14	6,660.00	2,660.00	4,462.93
Total Loose Offerings	2,779.09	3,000.00	1,410.00	1,361.44
Total Interest Earned	1,278.35	1,045.00	522.50	641.72
Total Fund Raising	302.45	550.00	25.00	0.00
Total Rental Income	2,736.85	4,100.00	232.50	1,451.50
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	1,944.88	1,715.00	844.50	1,133.88
TOTAL REVENUE	131,534.61	132,072.00	59,995.44	61,791.83
EXPENDITURES				
Total Local Mission	3,165.58	4,000.00	1,787.00	2,523.54
Total UCC Ministries	15,910.57	16,850.00	9,150.00	7,005.00
Total World Ministries	1,360.00	2,050.00	250.00	2,045.31
Total Other Mission Expense	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL MISSIONS	20,436.15	22,950.00	11,187.00	11,573.85
Total Worship Services	1,507.06	860.00	517.50	476.86
Total Evangelism	468.37	500.00	258.00	167.51
Total Music Programs	10,902.76	10,612.00	5,306.00	5,056.96
TOTAL WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM	12,878.19	11,972.00	6,081.50	5,701.33
Total Program - Christian Ed.	4,386.20	4,700.00	2,969.00	1,654.00
Total Personnel - Christian Ed.	9,835.32	11,042.00	5,221.00	5,521.02
TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	14,221.52	15,742.00	8,190.00	7,175.02
Total Building Expense	26,612.47	28,140.00	15,812.00	14,769.03
Total Personnel	7,090.46	6,368.00	3,184.00	3,498.66
Total Operating Expense	2,013.54	1,925.00	1,137.50	848.41
TOTAL CHURCH FACILITIES	35,716.47	36,433.00	20,133.50	19,116.10
Total Program	299.16	320.00	0.00	316.67
Total Personnel	46,778.96	48,315.00	24,157.50	23,640.25
Total Operating Expense	350.51	350.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL LEADERSHIP	47,428.63	48,985.00	24,157.50	23,956.92
TOTAL OTHER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	130,680.96	136,082.00	69,749.50	67,523.22
EXCESS/(DEF) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE	853.65	(4,010.00)	(9,754.06)	(5,731.39)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Greeters / Flowers

Aug.	5	Beth and Louis Wilkins	Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hugh
	12	Faye and Tom Conally	Mr. and Mrs. Tim Parker
	19	Doris and Biff Brafford	Mrs. Kay Hensley
	26	Carey and Bill Andes	Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Braf

Acolytes

Aug.	5	Elizabeth Lohr-Myers and Crystal Bradley
	12	Crystal Bradley and Amy Rose
	19	Tara McKenna and Emily Woody
	26	Heidi Troxler and Lydia Troxler

Ushers

Aug.	5	Mike Mayse, Dee Atkinson, Travis Loy, Bill Barbee, Earl Parker.
	12	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Robert Woody.
	19	Ken Harper, David Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, Kristin Wilkins.
	26	Sibyl White, Willard White, Vic Vickers, Chris Vickers, George Troxler.

Nursery

Aug.	5	Ellie Ketcham
	12	Helene Ellis
	19	Lou Harper
	26	Kay Hensley

Child Care During Worship

Aug.	5	Ann Acquilano and Katie Brown
	12	Beth Lyon and Jamie Brown
	19	Carolyn Messick and Daniel Doyle
	26	Janet Mayse and Brian Harper

Church Attendance for July

1	-	85	22	-	100
8	-	121	29	-	210
15	-	104			

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

Dr. Irvine will be on vacation from August 16th through September 5th. Betty Walker joins us as organist and choir director on August 19.

August 19th. "Football" Sunday.

Chaplain Richard McBride will preach a sermon entitled "Manna From Heaven, Crumbs from the Table" and Chris Worst will be liturgist. The scriptures are Matthew 15: 21-28 and Exodus 16:2-15. Hymns include "Let Us With a Gladsome Mind", "In Christ There Is No East or West", and "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

August 26th.

Rev. Lyon will be preaching a sermon entitled "Is the Lord With Us or Not?" from Exodus 17:1-7. Hymns include "Lord of All Hopefulness" and "Abide With Me." Church School teachers will be recognized. New teachers will be dedicated. Rising 5th graders will receive bibles and rising 3rd graders will graduate to "Big Church".

September 2

Rev. Lyon will be preaching. Scriptures include Roman 12:1-13.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Deacons voted to have the Passing of the Peace as a part of our worship in an effort to help our church service be less austere and more welcoming to visitors. At their August meeting they asked me to explain this in the Torch.

The Passing of the Peace is an old tradition in Christian worship. In an article on "Christian Worship in New Testament Times" in The Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible (V:888) we are told that "When the common prayers were ended, the kiss of peace was given. This oriental salutation, the equivalent of our shaking hands (Luke 7:45), had passed into Gentile worship from the natural greeting of Jewish Christians as they assembled for the primitive Lord's Supper, and had become a liturgical action to seal the supernatural fellowship of the church."

With the renewed interest in liturgy in recent years, a number of denominations have re-included this ancient form in their worship services. In the new United Church of Christ Book of Worship (1986), there are seven different orders of worship: two full-length Orders of both Word and Sacrament, two Brief Orders of the same, the second being extra-brief for a person who is ill; and three Services of the Word. Both full-length orders have the Passing of the Peace after the sequence of Confession and forgiveness, as we have been placing it; the first of the Brief orders has it immediately before the communion prayer and breaking bread and pouring wine; the service for the sick omits it; the first Service of the Word has it after the Assurance of Pardon; the second Service of the Word has it before the Prayers of the People (the main prayer); and the third service omits it. Five of the seven worship orders, then, include this element.

True worship is inevitably both horizontal and vertical; we cannot worship God without being concerned with our neighbor as well. Remember how Jesus spoke bluntly: "If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift." To be reconciled to God implies we must be reconciled to each other.

The sequence in our worship beginning with the Call to Confession, continuing with the Prayer of Confession, the Silent Prayers (where we go further with God than the printed prayer has taken us), comes to a climax in the Words of Assurance, which are the good news of the gospel,

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a cause for celebration. We sing the Gloria Patri as an impassioned response of praise to God, and then we pass the peace as a sign, a physical sign, that we are in right relation with our fellow worshippers (or intend to be).

There is another by-product of this practice worth thinking about, besides its welcome of the stranger and its opportunity to show inclusi Jesus also taught us that we must come to the Kingdom of God like a child. Children need to be physical and cannot sit as long quietly a adults can. The passing of the peace gives them a chance for both movement and for inclusion as the rest of us speak to them and they respond.

We are always in peril of thinking that worship is just ourselves and God, one-on-one. The byproduct of that extreme individualism is diminishment of the inclusion that is the sign of a warm, accepting, growing church.

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TORCHGLEAMS

We rejoice with two of our members who begin new jobs this year that will involve them in less travel than their previous ones. Ken Harper will be Professor of Education and Director of Field Experiences at Shaw University in Raleigh. Robin Woody becomes Principal at Hillcrest Elementary School in Burlington. Congratulations to both!....

We've had a seige of illness in the church lately. We're happy that Nancy Reddish and Michael Scarlata were able to leave Alamance Memorial Hospital and go home to recuperate further. Bill Terrell was moved from the hospital to Twin Lakes late last week. Susan Barbee's mother weathered difficult surgery at Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill and went home to Weaverville after a brief stay at Susan's....Lillie Waugh is seriously ill at a nursing home in Greensboro...Sam Foster is in Moses Cone Hospital recovering after abdominal surgery last week... Evella Sutton is gravely ill at Alamance Memorial Hospital...Remember all these people in your prayers.

Sympathy to Roberta Starr in the death of her cousin, Katherine Miller who died August 11 in Roanoke, Virginia.

Have you been in the church recently and noticed how our floors gleam? Our new custodian, Chris Shoffner, has done a splendid job of cleaning and waxing the entire church building. Chris, we appreciate you!

And thanks also to Dorcas Lohr and Marie Wilkins for filling in at the organ the past few Sundays.

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PHOTOGRAPHS BY ED SIMONS TO BE EXHIBITED

From August 26th to September 7th, in the Elon College Fine Arts Building, a selection of photographs from the wor of Ed Simons, a member of our congregation, will be on display. Ed has been taking photographs for 60 years. Man of these photographs have previously been exhibited in salons and shows throughout the nation. One of his portraits was selected for the Ansco Gallery of Outstanding Portraits. This exhibit will include mostly black and white prints and some chemically toned examples, along with a good representation of color photographs. The prints wer made from a variety of negative sizes, from 35 mm. to the large 8"x10".

Ed started in photography in 1930 and became professional in 1944, operating his own studio for 14 years in Winston-Salem. He earned the Master of Photography degree from the Professional Photographers Association of America, and was president of the North Carolina Photographers Association in 1956-57. He entered the Photographic Engineering field in 1958 with the Western Electric Company, retiring in 1978, and now resides in Elon College a block from the church, where his skill as a gardener is evident to all who pass by.

The exhibit will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. A reception will be held on August 26 from 3 to 5 p.m

APPRECIATING FAMILIES: OURS AND GOD'S

Saturday, September 29

9:00am to 6:00pm

Franklinton Center at Bricks

Ever feel you need to spend more time together as a family? Ever wish you could call "time out", and get your family to see the "good things" in each other? Well, here's your opportunity!

An inexpensive, relaxed day with your family, filled with fun activities which will highlight the best in you, and send you home glad to be the special family you are!

Your family, all families, are invited. Whether single-parent, two-parent, or grand-parent, whether with young children, teen-age children, or blended children, whether black or white - all our families are precious in God's sight! And we want to appreciate and celebrate that together. So if you consider yourself family, and you could enjoy a special day together, join us!

The day begins at 9:00am with a continental breakfast awaiting your arrival and continues through supper, ending at 6:00pm. Dress is casual (jeans/T-shirts/tennis shoes), like a Saturday at home.

The cost is $10.00 per family member, with no charge for children 3 and under. Please register by September 10, enclosing a $10.00 registration fee. The remaining cost will be payable upon arrival.

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REGISTRATION FORM

"Appreciating Families: Ours and God's"
Saturday, September 29
Franklinton Center at Bricks

NAME_____ PHONE_____

ADDRESS_____

CITY/STATE_____ ZIP CODE_____

CHURCH NAME_____ CITY/STATE_____

NUMBER OF ADULTS_____ NUMBER OF CHILDREN_____

AGE(S) of CHILD(REN)_____

Registration fee is $10.00....Checks payable to Franklinton Center.

Please send the $10 and this registration form to either:

Dr. Brenda Allen
First Congregational Church
2410 Creech Road
Raleigh, NC 27610

Reverend Ben R. Franklin
Amelia UCC
3031 Amelia Road
Clayton, NC 27520

REGISTRATION DUE BY SEPTEMBER 10

THE POETIC FLAME

Four HAIKU (Japanese poetry using 5,7,5 syllables) by Elizabeth Parker.

Gray squirrel in the tree
leap across from limb to limb
defy gravity!

Bright butterfly light
let the wind lift you again
you are beautiful.

Fire and ice can burn
don't touch me with either one
I don't want to melt.

Sit still and listen
You can hear your own heart beat
Now it's time to dream.

o the Members of Elon College Community Church:

I am anticipating the beginning of a new relationship with the church s Organist/Director of Music. This position will provide a needed challenge o me. The privilege of meeting the Church Staff and the Music Committee as made me anxious to become better acquainted with the total church family.

The adult choir is the backbone of a music ministry, and, as such, equires a great amount of time. However, the youth and children of the hurch are future adult choir members and need to experience the joy of usic and to learn the responsibility of choir membership. Music training hould begin with kindergartners and continue as they develop.

Naturally, I am still in the process of planning the music program. lowever, future plans include learning to play handbells for children in rades 2-6 and possibly for adults. Also, I would like to have increased hoir participation from the church membership since I've heard there is onsiderable potential among our adults.

I believe that together we can build a vital music ministry. Please eel free to call me with your thoughts and dreams for the music program f our church. I look forward to serving you.

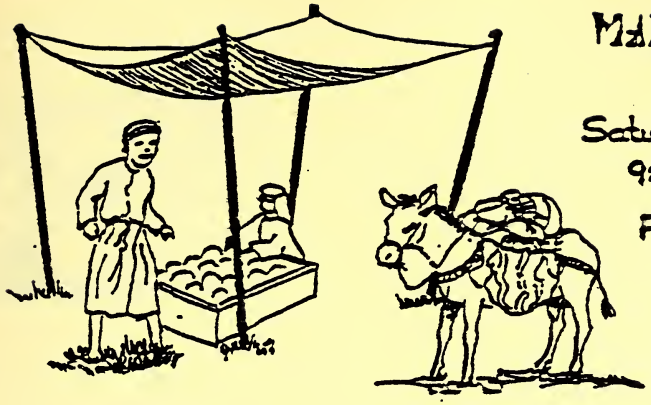
Betty Walker

Betty Walker

TO THE SOFTBALL TEAM AND MANY OTHERS - THANKS

The Burlington Area Men's Fellowship annual softball tournament was held August 6 - 11; this event, with its entry fees and with the accompanying barbeque event provide funds for the annual college scholarships that the Area Fellowship awards to young people in our churches; nine $500 scholarships were awarded this year. Coach Bill Blanchard and Associate Coach Ken Harper got together a tea that posted an outstanding record of five wins to two losse - the final loss being a nine to eight squeaker with the Ne Mission team, to give our team second place in the event. We give our heart-felt thanks to Bill and Ken and the other members of the team: Macon Albertson, John Barbee, John Baxter, Lynn Baxter, Paul Brandenburg, Keith Fogleman, Bria Harper, David Harper, Paul Lloyd, Phil Lloyd, Kirk Martin, Eddie Oliver, Casey Roberts, Chad Walker, Dick Walker, Trip Walker, Gayland Welborn, and Chris Worst. Thanks, men!

How nice it was to see an enthusiastic following in the bleachers, too; this meant a lot to the team. The team appreciates our Men's Fellowship having come up with the entrance fee, and also the generosity of several individua who contributed further to the team T-Shirt fund. And thank are due to the sellers and to the purchasers of barbeque tickets, and to all of those who provided tea, lemonade, pies and cakes to be sold as beverages and deserts at the barbeque event in Haw River.



MARKETPLACE 29 A.D.

Saturday September 8
9:00 AM to 3:00 pm
First Christian UCC
415 S. Church St.
Burlington
Contact: Pat Cadle
226-7428

MARKETPLACE 29 A.D.

Your children are invited to a one day experience reliving Bible events, occupations, and relationships that will acquaint them with their Christian heritage. The children will be members of families living in a Palestinian village around 29 A.D. They will experience what it was like to participate in family worship, ritual, and responsibilities, and what it was like participating in the social and economic life of the community.

Through active involvement as apprentices in the marketplace and living in small family clusters, they will grow in their relationship with God and learn some of the Jewish customs of Bibletimes. As they respond to the street theatre dramas of the Bible, the children will be helped to understand that the Bible is about real people.

A registration fee of $2.50 per child is necessary to cover the costs of this experiential learning event. Registration is limited to 100 children. Please complete the registration form below and return with payment by August 24. Each child should bring a sack lunch. Drinks will be furnished. Children grades K-6.

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NAME_____ PHONE_____
Last First

ADDRESS_____

AGE_____ BOY_____ GIRL_____ GRADE COMPLETED_____

HOME CHURCH_____ REGISTRATION FEE ENCLOSED_____
($2.50 each child)

SPECIAL NOTES_____

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_____ _____
Parent's Signature Student's Signature

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Friday, August 24, 1990

AUGUST CALENDAR

15 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

19 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Board of Missions

21 - 7:30 p.m. Divorce Workshop

22 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

26 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

29 - 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

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A PRAYER FROM ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON

Purge out of every heart the lurking grudge, Give us grace and streng to forbear and to persevere. Offenders, give us the grace to accept and forgive offenders. Forgetful ourselves, help us to bear cheerfull the forgetfulness of others. Give us courage and gaiety and the quie mind. Spare us to our friends, soften us to our enemies. Bless us, if it may be, in all our innocent endeavors. If it may not, give us the strength to encounter that which is to come, that we may be brave in peril, constant in tribulations, temperate in wrath, and in all changes in fortune, and down to the gates of death, loyal and loving to one another. Amen.

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September 2nd.

Rev. Lyon will be preaching from Romans 12:1-13. Hymns are "O Master Workman of the Race," "All Creatures of Our God and King", and "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name."

September 9th. Student Sunday.

Elon College students are invited to join the congregation after worship at a pot-luck dinner.

Dr. Irvine will return to the pulpit, preaching on "Renewal Time" from Ephesians 4:22-32. Hymns will include "Holy! Holy! Holy!," "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart," and "Lord, I Want to be a Christian."

September 16th.

Dr. Irvine's sermon will be from Matthew 18:21-35, on "An Acute Case of Forgiveness." Hymns are "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven," "There's a Wideness In God's Mercy," and "Savior, Thy Dying Love."

September 23rd.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "An Offensive God" from Matthew 20:1-16. Hymns will be "The God of Abraham Praise," "Be Thou My Vision," and "Lord God of Hosts."

September 30th.

Matthew 21:28-32 will be the scripture from which Dr. Irvine will preach on "Admirers? Or Followers?" Hymns will include "From All That Dwell Below the Skies," "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life," and "Jesus Calls Us."

PROMOTION SUNDAY

Promotion Sunday for church school classes will take place on Sunday, Sept. 9 at 9:45 AM, not, as previously announced, on Sept. 2. All classes will meet together for a few minutes in the sanctuary. Teachers will be introduced and everyone will go to their individual classes.

CENTENNIAL HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

Each month during our Centennial year, the first two Sundays a display of historical materials will be on display in the Narthex. Susan Hemphill, chairman of the Board of Christian Education, has written the following explanatory notes to support the September display:

HISTORY HIGHLIGHT #5

This Highlight accompanies the photographs that will be on display in the narthex the first two Sundays in September. These photographs depict some of the people and events from the history of Christian Education of the church.

I interviewed people who attended ECCC's Sunday School as children. Lois Luke remembers back to the 1940s when the Sunday School met in the Mooney Building on the Elon College campus which was built as a model facility for Christian Education. She remembers the stairwell in that building. (If you have never been to the Mooney building, you must take a tour of it one day. The stairwell is very interesting! I wonder if the builders had the Tower of Babel in mind when they constructed it?) Lois has especially fond memories of the Parish House as it became a place the children and youth could call their own. The director of Christian Education, Ms. Foltz, would meet them there everyday after school.

Floyd Rich was raised at the Elon Home For Children and his earliest recollection of Sunday School is as a very small child in the early '50s. He was impressed by that huge building with the big columns and many stairs he was forced to visit every Sunday. (There's those stairs being remembered again!) All the children from the Home were brought to Sunday School and Floyd remembers participating in the youth classes as well.

Patricia Woody was among those in the early '60s whose recollections of Sunday School are in the current building. She remembers there being lots of children and all the classes in the then new building and the Parish House were being used. She remembers playing the piano for assemblies that were held in the Parish House. Teachers she remembered were Biff Brafford, Ralph Oxford, Lucy Everette, and Betty Reynolds. A live nativity scene that the children and youth enacted one year is a vivid memory because it was so cold!

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Please remember in your prayers **Josie Huey** and **Howard Loy** whose mother, Mrs. W. E. Loy, Sr., died on Friday, August 24. She was 102 and a member of the Gibsonville Baptist Church. Remember also **Andrea Albertson** and her husband **Mark**, and children **Shannon** and **Macon.** Andrea's mother died on Friday, and her maternal grandfather on Saturday.

Lillie Waugh is in Moses Cone Hospital this week and has been undergoing some test. **Sam Foster**, also at Moses Cone is doing better and has been moved out of intensive care. Pearl Mann, mother of **Nell Snyder**, is in Alamance Memorial Hospital.

Al Carpenter is resting a home because of some unexplained high blood pressure. We hope he'll be up and around soon.

Evella Sutton came home from the hospital this past Wednesday. She celebrated her birthday while in the hospital complete with a cake and ice cream supplied by **Carey Andes.** **Carey** and **Bill Andes**, along with friends and neighbors attended the party.

Virginia Richardson is back in her apartment in Twin Lakes. She's still having trouble with her back, but glad to be home.

Col. Frank Purdy Jr., son-in-law of **Gene** and **Kathleen Lankford**, has retired from the United States Air Force after a 27 yr. career. In an awards ceremony on July 27, i Hurlburt Field, Fla., which the Langfords attended, Col. Purdy received the Legion of Merit. The Purdys will continue to live in Shalimar, Fla.

Andre Wilkins is on his way to the Mediterranean with the USS Eisenhower. He'd love to get letters or care packages from home. All his mail should be sent to the USS Moossbrugger DD 980 FOP Miami, FL 34092.

It's official: it's "Colonel Biff" from here on out. **E. W. Brafford** went off to a family reunion of Braffords in Kentucky and to his astonishment received a certificate designating him as a "Kentucky Colonel" for his distinguished genealogical research on that Kentucky clan--one of only 3 out-of-staters so recognized at the occasion. Signed by the Secretary of State of Kentucky. Congratulations, Biff! We're proud of you!...

Women's Fellowship

The first meeting of our new year will be held on Monday, September 10 at 7 p.m. in the Choral Center. Beth Lyon will install the following officers:

President	Dorcas Lohr
Vice President	Nancy Lu Irvine
Secretary	Nell Snyder
Treasurer	Page Edgerton
Historian	Annabelle Powell
Pianist	Ruth Cheek
Leader Circle 1	Verona Danieley
Leader Circle 2	Mary Butler
Leader Circle 3	Nora Griswold

Department Chairmen

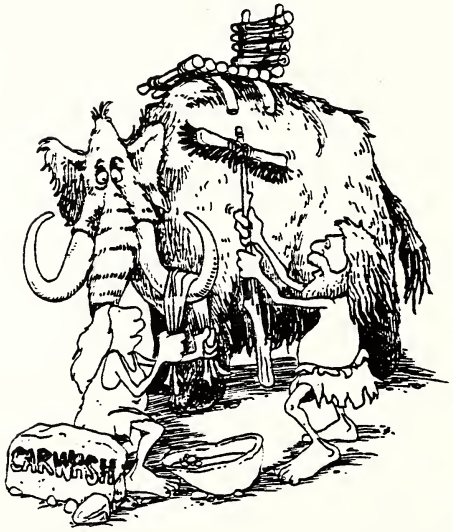
Christian Education	Sara Dodson
Friendly Service	Elizabeth Parker
	Ann Acquilano
Social Action	Marie Wilkins
Spiritual Life	Mona Covington
Missionary Education	Ruth Dunn
Stewardship	Beth Wilkins

Standing Committees

Finance	Page Edgerton
Parish Service	Kathleen Lankford
Flower Calendar	Carey Andes
	Jackie Pendergrass
Program	Nancy Lu Irvine
	Sara Dodson
Membership	Phyllis Young
Nursery	Lou Harper
	Phyllis Young

Dorcas Lohr, incoming president, will present the program introducing the theme for the year "Who Cares". All women of the church are invited to come join us for an exciting year of fellowship, study and service.

Older teens and adults interested in belonging to a handbell choir are invited to attend the first rehearsal Sunday afternoon, September 9, at 6:00 p.m. The only qualification for membership is faithfulness. You need not be able to read music. Rehearsals will be in the choir room.



CAR WASH

The senior high youth will hold a car wash on Saturday, Sept. 8 from 10-3 in the Parish House parking lot. Proceeds go to the YETS program (see separate article). We need lots of dirty vehicles so please bring yours and your neighbors!

STUDENT SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 9TH

September 9, the Board of Missions is sponsoring Elon College Student Sunday, and many students will be visiting us for worship and for a Potluck Lunch at noon. We hope to have a good turnout this year, so be sure to bring plenty of food! See you there!

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

2	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
3	-		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
4	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
5	-	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
8	-	10:00 a.m.	YETS Car Wash
9	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		4:00 p.m.	Evangelism Committee
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		6:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
		7:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
10	-	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship General Meeting
11	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
		7:00 p.m.	Committee for a Second Century
12	-	7:00 p.m.	Troop Committee Meeting
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
13	-	7:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
16	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		12:00 noon	YETS
		12:15 p.m.	Acolyte Training and Lunch
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Mission
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		6:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
		7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education
18	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
19	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal

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SEPTEMBER CALENDAR - continued -

20 - 7:30 p.m. Afterschool Committee

23 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
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Missions

YETS

An exciting new program for senior high youth got it's start this past Sunday. It's called Y.E.T.S. (Youth Experience Travel and Service). Our group of six senior highs will be spending the next 9 months preparing for a trip to Jonesville, Va. to participate in the Appalachian Service Project from June 8-14. Following the week in Jonesville working on individual homes, we'll take a raft trip down the Upper Nolichuccy River in eastern Tennessee. The total cost of the trip will be @$1700. We hope to raise the money through fundraisers, the yough budget, and contributions from outside groups. Our first fundraiser will be a car wash on Sept. 8 from 10-3.

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THE HOSPICE LEAGUE OF ALAMANCE-CASWELL INVITES ALL CHURCHES AND CLUBS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUMPKIN FESTIVAL AT HOLLY HILL MALL ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6 FROM 10 a.m. til 6 p.m. PROCEEDS FROM CRAFT AND BAKE SALE WILL BENEFIT BUILDING A HOSPICE FACILITY IN OUR AREA. FOR INFORMATION CALL 228-7714 or 570-5200. ENTERTAINMENT IN CENTER MALL ALL DAY.

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Olga Griswold

3 - Nell Snyder

5 - W. E. Butler, Jr.
Gail Critchfield

6 - Gertrude Liscum
Clair Myers

9 - Ann Vickers

10 - Lois M. Bost
Diana Terrell

12 - Mabel Veazey

13 - Carolyn Gabriel
Amy Rose

14 - Louis Wilkins
Vic Vickers
Edward Simons

15 - April Smith
Brandi Smith
Andrew Lyon

16 - Billy Blanchard
Mary Cheek
Shawn Ashley White
Brian Steward Oxford

17 - Jennifer Easton
Scott Williamson

18 - Cile Welborn

19 - Shirlie Baxter
Eve Loy
Matthew Woody

22 - Ray Covington

23 - Melva Foster
Virginia Jeffreys

24 - Jeff Martin

26 - Myrtle Matlock
Lois S. Luke

27 - Elizabeth Braxton
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Your family, all families, are invited. Whether single-parent, two-parent, or grand-parent, whether with young children, teen-age children, or blended children, whether black or white - all our families are precious in God's sight! And we want to appreciate and celebrate that together. So if you consider yourself family, and you could enjoy a special day together, join us!

The day begins at 9:00am with a continental breakfast awaiting your arrival and continues through supper, ending at 6:00pm. Dress is casual (jeans/T-shirts/tennis shoes), like a Saturday at home.

The cost is $10.00 per family member, with no charge for children 3 and under. Please register by September 10, enclosing a $10.00 registration fee. The remaining cost will be payable upon arrival.

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REGISTRATION FORM

"Appreciating Families: Ours and God's"
Saturday, September 29
Franklinton Center at Bricks

NAME_____ PHONE_____

ADDRESS_____

CITY/STATE_____ ZIP CODE_____

CHURCH NAME_____ CITY/STATE_____

NUMBER OF ADULTS_____ NUMBER OF CHILDREN_____

AGE(S) of CHILD(REN)_____

Registration fee is $10.00....Checks payable to Franklinton Center.

Please send the $10 and this registration form to either:

Dr. Brenda Allen
First Congregational Church
2410 Creech Road
Raleigh, NC 27610

Reverend Ben R. Franklin
Amelia UCC
3031 Amelia Road
Clayton, NC 27520

REGISTRATION DUE BY SEPTEMBER 10

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

		Greeters	Flowers
Sept.	2	Juanita and Howard Loy	Troxler
	9	Virginia and Warren Jeffreys	Young
	16	Kathleen and Gene Lankford	Schmidt
	23	Ann Reynolds and Mary Shaw Cunningham	Perry Family
	30	Clara and George Noah	Pendergrass

Ushers

Sept.	2	Mike Mayse, Dee Atkinson, Travis Loy, Bill Barbee, Earl Parker
	9	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Robert Woody.
	16	Ken Harper, David Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, Kristin Wilkins.
	23	Sibyl White, Willard White, Vic Vickers, Chris Vickers, George Troxler.
	30	Ed Simons, Jeff Wilkins, Walter Boyd, Jim Lyon.

Child Care During Worship

Sept.	2	Kim or Steve Perry and Brian Rose
	9	Maxine Rich and Rob Woody
	16	Cecelia Welborn and Jamie Brown
	23	Marie or Jeff Wilkins and Daniel Doyle
	30	Louis or Kristin Wilkins and Brian Harper

Church Attendance for August

5	-	96	19	-	232
12	-	110	26	-	112

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

September 16th.

Dr. Irvine's sermon will be from Matthew 18:21-35, on "An Acute Case of Forgiveness." Hymns are "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven," "There's a Wideness In God's Mercy," and "Savior, Thy Dying Love."

September 23rd.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "An Offensive God" from Matthew 20:1-16. Hymns will be "The God of Abraham Praise," "Be Thou My Vision," and "Lord God of Hosts."

September 30th.

Matthew 21:28-32 will be the scripture from which Dr. Irvine will preach on "Admirers? Or Followers?" Hymns will include "From All That Dwell Below the Skies," "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life," and "Jesus Calls Us."

October 7th. World Wide Communion Sunday.

Dr. Irvine's meditation will be on the Parable of the Vineyard from Matthew 21:33-43. Hymns will include "Christ for the World We Sing," "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life," and "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

Our annual Neighbors in Need Offering will be received

TORCHGLEAMS

Eva Daniel is recovering at home from eye surgery at Alamance County Hospital. **Sam Foster** is in Moses Cone Hospital and not doing very well. **Lillie Waugh** is back in her nursing home in Greensboro after her operation at Moses Cone but remembers nothing of it. Remember these people in your prayers along with our other recently hospitalized folk **Evella Sutton and Virginia Richardson**who are back at their homes, and **Bill Terrell** who is in Twin Lakes... Remember also Christopher Reinheimer, prematurely born grandson of **John and Delores Truitt**, who was the subject of a recent column by Don Bolden, executive editor of the Burlington Times-News, a great-uncle of the child...

Speaking of the newspaper, did you catch the fascinating story about **Bob Eyes'** hobby as a ham radio operator in a recent issue? Good photo, too...

Andre Wilkins serves on the destroyer USS Moosebrugger. His ship's orders were changed three times as it crossed the Atlantic and it has ended up for the present patrolling the Straits of Gibraltar where its assignment is to stop and search ships that may be bound for Iraq.

Nancy Lu and John Irvine returned from a vacation trip to the West Coast, and are happy to be back after many delightful adventures and visits with cousins and their son and his family. A high point was seeing two orcas (killer whales) and later a pod of white-sided dolphins out on the Pacific on a boat trip from Westport, Washington, along with tufted puffins, albatrosses and many other seabirds...

We welcomed a good group of Elon students to our service and fellowship meal, and also to the Sunday School class (taught by Beth Lyon) and Discover fellowship on September 9th. And it was so good to have the students back in the choir...

CHOIR ROBES CLEANED

Our choir is beginning a new year under the energetic leadership of Mrs. Betty Walker. One long-delayed and much-needed project has been accomplished already: the cleaning of our adult choir robes. It had been some five years since this was last done. Money for this had been requested in original budget proposals each of the last few years, but somehow this item always managed to be cut in the final budgets that went before the congregation. That was true again in this year's budget.

The Women's Fellowship graciously donated $130 for this cause this summer. Lois Bost, who has been extroardinarily faithful in looking after our choir's needs across the years, took the robes to the cleaners. At a price of about $5 per robe, the bill with tax came to $252.00. Lois paid the difference out of her own pocket. Not only that, she also sewed up some of the robes' zippers that had come loose.

The Board of Deacons is deeply appreciative of the Women's Fellowship gift and also of Lois' faithful work on behalf of the choir. At its meeting September 9th, the Board felt strongly that Lois ought not to have to bear almost half the cost of cleaning the robes, and asked that the congregation be invited through the TORCH to contribute an extra gift so that she can be reimbursed. Any moneys that come in beyond the amount owed her will be used toward the purchase of new choral music.

If you would like to contribute to this special need, you may make a check out to the church and subtitle it "Choir Robe Cleaning"--or put cash in an envelope with the same words written on it. Place it in the offering, or bring it to the church office.

It was further noted at the Deacons' meeting that the stoles worn by choir members will soon need to be replaced as they are becoming worn out and stained.

CROP WALK - WALK TO FEED THE HUNGRY

Any of the next three Sundays sign up after Worship Service in the narthew, front porch, or even outside depending on the weather.

Where money goes:

25% for local hunger agencies (Meals on Wheels, Emergency Food Box, Family Abuse Shelter for the homeless.)

75% for needs beyond local Community which will go to Church World Services around the world unless otherwise designated.

Help Alamance County CROP WALK reach reach their 12 year goal (1978-1990) of one million dollars. This means that this year's goal will be $125,000.

- Fran Hook

BUILDING FUND MEMORIALS

June 30, 1990 - September 10, 1990

Mr. Kenneth S. Clem

Mrs. Gladys Vickers
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blanchard

Mrs. Leffie T. Lowe

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Longest

Mrs. Betty W. Loy

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Willard
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Vickers
Mrs. Lois M. Bost

IN HONOR

Mr. William B. Terrell

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Longest

Lois M. Bost
Building Fund Treasurer
September 10, 1990

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NIN Reaches Out to Touch Someone

Is a telephone a luxury or a necessity? The Federal Communications Commission, and many groups fighting for the rights of low-income people, believe a telephone is a vital necessity — especially for older persons and those with disabilities. That is why the "Link Up America" program was established. Under its provisions, telephone installation charges can be cut in half for qualified low-income applicants.

Almost twenty million Americans have no telephone. They cannot reach help in an emergency. Or contact social service agencies, medical services or employers. Most of these people are poor, and many are racial and ethnic minorities, or older adults. They are the people "Link Up America" is intended to assist.

There's nothing automatic about the program, however. Eligible people have to apply for "Link Up America." And before that, they have to know about it. That's where Neighbors in Need comes in.

With part of their share of the 1988 offering, the United Church of Christ Office of Communication established the Telephone Assistance for Low-Income Americans project. It was based on the belief that churches and social service groups could help implement "Link Up America."

One of the sites selected for testing this belief is St. Louis, Missouri. Working closely with Southwestern Bell, the project organized a board of representatives from seven ecumenical and community service organizations serving low-income people. Together they reached out to people without telephones, sponsoring public meetings, distributing flyers, and holding educational workshops for social service agencies. Now, most of those in need of telephone service in St. Louis are getting "linked up."

Helping our less affluent neighbors obtain a telephone may not seem like a high priority to many of us. At first, it didn't to some St. Louis public officials and social workers, either. But, thanks to Neighbors in Need, they came to see that a telephone is indeed a necessity.

Our gifts to Neighbors in Need enable us to reach out and touch our brothers and sisters in many different ways.

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From Our Music Director

The Young Musicians Choir will begin on Wednesday, September 19, at 5:00 p.m. This choir is composed of grades 2-6. Following the choir rehearsal we will have a handbell choir rehearsal for grades 4-8. We hope to have a good turnout for both of these.

Don't forget to donate your old gloves to the handbell choirs. Color doesn't matter nor does size.

The time for the Adult/older Teen Bell Choir has been changed to 7 p.m. on Sundays.

- Betty Walker

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Old and new acolytes will meet Sunday September 16 at 12:15 p.m. in the Youth Room for a Pizza Party and some training.

The Middle Highs will meet Sunday, September 23 for an afternoon hike. Meet at the Church at 2:00 p.m.

DAY HIKE

"YETS"

The Youth Experience Travel and Service "YETS" program is off to a great start. Many thanks to all who contributed to the Car Wash, especially to Gayland Welborn who supervised. The next meeting of the group will be Sunday, September 16 at 12 noon in the Middle High room. Bring a bag lunch.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

12 - 7:00 p.m. Troop Committee Meeting
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

13 - 7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees

16 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
12:00 noon YETS
12:15 p.m. Acolyte Training and Lunch
5:00 p.m. Board of Mission
6:00 p.m. Discover Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal

18 - 10:30 a.m. Fun Club - Hospice Program
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

19 - 5:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesdays
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

20 - 7:30 p.m. Afterschool Committee

23 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
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THE LEPER: TWO DAYS AFTER BEING HEALED BY JESUS

By John Hemphill

Where are you, God?
Dead is the old law:
like white dust hurled to the wind,
like tattered clothes cast aside.

Me, unclean, never again!
Me, untouchable, never again!

I have been touched by a new rabbi
who walks the Galilean hills.
God, you live behind this man's eyes.
You speak in his sparse words.
"I am willing," he said as he touched me
with a finger that defies the old law.

Are you with me, God?
Two days now and I am still clean.

I will not submit to the examination.
I will not make the sacrifices
for I have no male lamb
or no ewe lamb.

I will ignore the old rabbis.
For the first time in years
I will hug my brother.
I will kiss my mother
and tell them all of the miracle
of this man, Jesus.

I will laugh at the old laws.
I will snicker at the old rabbis.
There is a new law

and a new rabbi

and he touched me, a leper,

and made me clean.

Praise, God, for the Proclaimer of a New Law!

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There will be some foreign languages spoken during the service, with translations provided, to make real the sense of world-wide communion among Christians this day.

Our annual Neighbors in Need Offering will be received This is also CROP walk Sunday and last year's walkers will be recognized.

October 14th. Elon College Parents' Weekend Sunday.

Dr. Irvine will preach on "You Are What You Think" fro the Epistle lection for the day, Philippians 4:1-9. Hymns will include "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine," and "Fill Thou My Life, O Lord."

October 21st. Special Centennial Sunday.

Dr. Rollin Russell, Conference Minister of the Souther Conference of the United Church of Christ, will be our gues preacher. He will bring us another message in the series o the contributions of the various streams that make up the UCC to our common life. Dr. Russell came out of the Evangelical and Reformed side of the church and will speak about its particular strengths. More details will be in the next TORCH.

New members will be received into fellowship during th service. A pot-luck luncheon will follow in the Parish House.

CENTENNIAL HISTORY HIGHLIGHT # 6: YOUTH MINISTRY

Not much changes! That's what I learned as I looked through the church's records on youth ministry. "The youth group was reorganized this year," had to be the most common statement in the annual reports. It has **always** been a struggle to find counselors for youth in this church. Many years they did without and when new counselors were found the group was "reorganized" again.

The first youth counselors of whom I could find a record were Noel Allen and Mr. and Mrs. David Nichols in 1966. In 1968 Carol and J.C. Dollar took over the senior highs, when they were newlyweds living at Moonelon and not much older than the kids in the group. The junior highs were, at that time, sponsored by a group at the college called the Mathatians of Elon College. They did some of the things that junior highs as still doing, such as study other religions and go caroling.

Carol Post became the first Director of Christian Education (of whom I could find a record) in September 1971. She also worked part time at the Elon Home for Children. She and her husband directed a "Charlie Brown Christmas Play". Two Elon students doing field work, Doug Evans and Randy Glass, worked with senior highs that year.

In January of 1973 June Grubb became Director of Christian Education. During the four years that she served the church and Elon Home there was a lot of activity! There were quite a few dramatic productions: the children performed **Joseph and His Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat** and the youth did **You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown** and **Jesus Christ Superstar.** Some of the costumes from that era are still in circulation! There was an Easter campout at Moonelon and a trip to Cape Cod for senior highs and a coffee house for UNICEF. John and Gale Greene were senior high advisors and two Elon students, Jackie Simpson and Bill Snotherly (whom I got to know in later years as a Methodist minister in Durham) were counselors for junior highs. In 1976 Louis and Beth Wilkins, Bill and Betty Blanchard, Mack and Peggy Lackey, and Bill and Susan Barbee began their involvement with the youth program as counselors for junior highs. They continued to be the backbone of the youth program for years to come.

Centennial Highlight #6: continued -

June Grubb was followed by a series of part time youth workers, many of whom were seminary students: Jack LoCicero "reactivated" the youth group in 1978. Jill Bennett served from 1979 to 1981. She seems to have been the first brave soul to take the youth skiing. Ed Hillman (a classmate of mine at Duke Divinity School) served from 1981-82 and held the first lock-in on record. Middle high counselors that year were Vicki and Jim Holmes. They had a car wash and helped with Christmas Cheer (sound familiar?).

1982-84 were years of strong lay leadership, with the Wilkins, the Barbees, the Braggs, and the Holmeses leading the two groups. Tyra Ross arrived in 1983 and generated lots of activity with the help of some good lay leadership. There were trips to Carowinds and the Son Festival, lock-ins, volleyball, retreats, caroling, and a workcamp for John's River. Tyra was followed in 1984 by Beth Davis, also a Duke student. Beth taught the confirmation class as well as led the youth activities.

I arrived in 1986 and am not yet ready to talk about the "Lyon years" as history. I did notice that I've lasted longer than any youth worker in your recorded history. Just stubborn, I guess.

Beth Lyon

NEIGHBORS IN NEED OFFERING OCTOBER 7TH

We love autumn, with its crisp relief from summer heat. But for our homeless neighbors, autumn signals the coming of the hardest season of all. Life is never easy for homeless persons; but winter makes it even worse.

As you know, the United Church of Christ has designated the Homeless Poor as a churchwide priority. Neighbors in Need, our annual special autumn offering, provides us an opportunity to help homeless families and individuals. Several of the program ministries to be supported by our giving this year address facets of the housing crisis in our nation. They are designed to have a maximum impact in places where it can do the most good.

Our American Indian brothers and sisters often live in inadequate dwellings. Added to that disadvantage are other problems that undermine the Indian community. Our gifts to Neighbors in Need provide the ministerial leadership that helps keep communities together and faith alive not only on the reservation, but in the cities to which they migrate.

Do yourself a favor. Read the brochure on N.I.N. contained in this TORCH and catch a vision of what your gift can help accomplish in the six different needs it will address. Then do a neighbor a favor: bring in your generous offering to worship October 7th in the envelope fastened in this TORCH.

- Your Mission Board

TORCHGLEAMS

Andre Wilkins' ship's orders were changed again. The USS Moosebrugger is now assigned to the Persian Gulf...

Our church family lost two members as September ended. Our sympathy to the family of **Lillie Waugh**, who died on September 25th and was buried in Greensboro on the 27th, and to the family of **Sam Foster**, who died on September 30th and was buried on October 1st at Spoon's Chapel near Asheboro, with Dr. Irvine and the Rev. Mike Wilburn leading the graveside ceremony. For both of these death came as a release after a period of declining health...Sympathy also to **Alyssa Lovell**, whose grandmother, Geneva Lovell of Danville, VA, died September 18th...

Bob Eyes is recuperating after recent surgery and some post-surgical complications...**Earl Vickers** will enter Duke Hospital for testing October 8th, which might lead to some surgery on the 12th...**Brian Rose** has a case of mononucleosis...**Martin Rose's** father is seriously ill with cancer in Virginia...**Carolyn Messick's** mother, who lives in Plymouth, NC, fell and broke her hip three weeks ago...

A sincere thank-you to **Tara McKenna** for helping clean toys in the nursery and pre-school rooms on September 30th...

INQUIRERS GROUP TO MEET; NEW MEMBERS TO BE RECEIVED

Are you interested in becoming a member of Elon College Community Church? Or would you just like to know more about it? An Inquirer's Group will meet from 2:30 to 4:00 in the Church Library on Sunday, October 14th. Your questions and concerns will be addressed. Dr. Irvine and some church lay leaders will be present.

On the following Sunday, October 21st, new members will be received into fellowship during the worship hour. And then:

POT LUCK LUNCHEON TO HONOR NEW STAFF AND NEW MEMBERS

Right after worship on October 21st we will repair to the Parish House for an all-church pot luck luncheon especially in honor of our new staff members and the newly received members who will have just joined our fellowship. The Evangelism Committee will be in charge of the arrangements.

MIDDLE HIGH NEWS

The middle high group will meet to go roller skating on Sunday Oct. 21 from 2-4pm. Cost will be $3.50 per person.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Wes Alexander
Betty Y. Powell

2 - Ruth Drumm

3 - Betty Blanchard
Thomas R. Hamilton
T. E. Powell III

4 - Nancy Lu Irvine
George Shumar

5 - Ruth Cheek
Marjorie Long

7 - Kevin Dill
David Hughes

8 - Ralph Oxford

9 - Sandra Dill
Jim Lyon

11 - Bill Blanchard

12 - Benjamin White

13 - Della Scott

14 - Tom Conally
Betty Wagoner
Don Williamson, Jr.

15 - Lessie Longest

17 - Greg Powell

18 - Robin Holt

20 - Goldie Smith

23 - Noel Allen
Loretta Easton

25 - Alan Young

26 - Viola Dean

27 - Ned Danieley

28 - Jackie Danieley
Natalie Williams

29 - William T. Beyer

30 - Charles Parcell
Maxine Rich
W. W. Sloan
Dolores Truitt

31 - Madge Brannock
William Ellis

OCTOBER CALENDAR

1	-	10:30 a.m.	Circle 1
		7:30 p.m.	Circle 2
		7:30 p.m.	Men's Fellowship Planning Committee
2	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
		7:30 p.m.	Circle 3
3	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
6	-	9:00 a.m.	Parish House Renovation Committee
7	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		1:00 p.m.	CROP Walk
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir
		7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education
9	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
		7:00 p.m.	Committee for the Second Century
		7:30 p.m.	Budget Committee
10	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
11	-	7:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
14	-	8:00 a.m.	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
		9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		2:30 p.m.	Inquirer's Group - Library
		4:00 p.m.	Evangelism Committee
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir
		7:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
16	-	9:00 a.m.	Fun Club
		7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
17	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal

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October Calendar - continued -

20	-	9:00 a.m.	Eastern N.C. Association Meeting Trenton, N.C.
21	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service - Special Centennial Service, Dr. Rollin Russell preaching.
		12:00 noon	Pot Luck Lunch in Parish House
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Missions
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir
23	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
24	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
25	-	7:00 p.m.	District Men's Fellowship Quarterly Meeting
28	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		2:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting
		4:00 p.m.	Church Council
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir
30	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
31	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal

IMPROVEMENTS IN OUR NAME TAG SYSTEM

The Evangelism Committee has revamped the name-tag arrangement in the Narthex. The two freestanding panels on which nametags hung have been replaced by a set of frames mounted on the north and south walls, in which the nametags are inserted in little grooves cut at an angle in the wood. Our members will keep their nametags on the north side, visitors and college students on the south. A new corkboard is being added on the north side as well. The new arrangement opens up the Narthex for an easier traffic flow.

There is one change in the system: instead of boxes to collect nametags, worshippers are now asked to put their nametags back in place when worship is over. Many of the nametags fit very tightly. If you have difficulty putting yours back until the grooves widen some from use, leave it on the new shelf below the frames or on a narthex window sill, and someone will put it back for you. Children will find their nametags in the same column with their parents', except that children's name tags will be at the bottom of the frame where they can more easily reach them. Additional nametag holders have been ordered as presently we have no spares. Many thanks to the good folk who worked on this project!

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FUN CLUB ART TOUR - OCTOBER 16

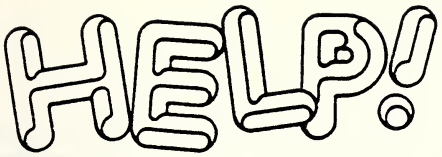
The Fun Club will visit the new art museum on the campus of the University of North Carolina in Greensboro on Tuesday, October 16, 1990. We will meet in the Parish House parking lot at 9:00 a.m. and will van or carpool to the museum for a guided tour scheduled at 10:00 a.m. The tour will not be strenuous. The museum is not large. Many of the exhibits are art works collected on travels by the Moses Cone family.

Y.E.T.S.

Our next meeting will be Sunday Oct. 14 at 12 noon in the Youth Room. We'll be seeing a slide show by Fran and Harve Hook on their past trips to Jonesville, Va. with the Appalachian Service Project.

HAUNTED HOUSE

The next YETS fundraiser will be a Haunted House held in the parish house on Sunday Oct. 28 from 6-9pm.



We need two portable record players for the Church School. Our new youth and children's curriculum uses records this year instead of tapes. When we got the old ones out of storage we found only two in working condition. If you have a portable record player (the simpler, the better), that you are no longer using, please bring it by the church office.

Do you enjoy refinishing furniture? The toy shelves in our preschool room are shedding their paint. This isn't good for the kids and it looks sloppy too. If you're willing to refinish them (here or at home), please let Beth know.

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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

The next breakfast meeting of the Men's Fellowship will be held at 8:00 AM, Sunday, October 14, 1990 in the Parish House. Men, plan to be present to enjoy breakfast, to enjoy seeing each other, and to help elect new officers, decide whether to do a Christmas tree project, and to plan for our being host to the Area Men's Fellowship meeting on Thursday, October 25 at 7:00 PM.

Paul Cheek

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MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

People have been generous in donating no-longer-needed medical items to the church. If you need to use one of these pieces simply contact the church office. We have available for borrowing the following:

3 wheelchairs (in addition to the one that remains in the Narthex)
2 bedside commode chairs
1 four-prong cane
2 walkers (one folding, one non-folding)

LIBRARY NEWS

We've added two new titles to the children's library.

In the section for parents is **Who's Calling the Shots? How to Respond Effectively to Children's Fascination with War Play and War Toys** by Nancy Carlsson-Paige and Diane E. Levin. If your child wants every Ninja Turtle or My Little Pony item on the market, this book is for you. It is actually much more broad ranging than its title implies. It discusses children and toys in a consumer oriented society.

For children we have **Chadwick and the Garplegrungen** by Pricilla Cummings, the story of a blue fin crab and his friends, who save the Chesapeake Bay.

MOTHER'S MORNING OUT NEWS

Our MMO program has a new director. She is Pat Libera who moved to Elon from Durham. She and her husband bought Bertie Field's house. Pat started the Child Development Center at Immaculate Conception Catholic church in Durham where she worked with two and three year olds. She and her husband are the parents of eighteen month old twins, Hannah and Dominic. We are delighted to have her as part of the program.

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD ENDING
Aug 31 1990

	1989 ACTUAL	1990 BUDGET	BUDGET TO DATE	ACTUAL TO DATE
SOURCES OF INCOME				
Total Pledged Income	114,762.85	115,002.00	69,401.20	70,548.16
Total Special Contributions	7,730.14	6,660.00	4,054.00	4,835.43
Total Loose Offerings	2,779.09	3,000.00	1,800.00	1,869.12
Total Interest Earned	1,278.35	1,045.00	522.50	759.77
Total Fund Raising	302.45	550.00	25.00	0.00
Total Rental Income	2,736.85	4,100.00	2,339.14	2,288.50
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	1,944.88	1,715.00	1,202.50	1,747.40
TOTAL REVENUE	131,534.61	132,072.00	79,344.34	82,048.38
EXPENDITURES				
Total Local Mission	3,165.58	4,000.00	2,116.00	2,643.88
Total UCC Ministries	15,910.57	16,850.00	10,750.00	8,005.00
Total World Ministries	1,360.00	2,050.00	250.00	2,238.38
Total Other Mission Expense	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL MISSIONS	20,436.15	22,950.00	13,116.00	12,887.26
Total Worship Services	1,507.06	860.00	517.50	747.35
Total Evangelism	468.37	500.00	294.00	318.51
Total Music Programs	10,902.76	10,612.00	6,103.92	5,663.22
TOTAL WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM	12,878.19	11,972.00	6,915.42	6,729.08
Total Program - Christian Ed.	4,386.20	5,300.00	3,160.64	2,737.69
Total Personnel - Christian Ed.	9,835.32	11,042.00	7,291.72	7,306.24
TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	14,221.52	16,342.00	10,452.36	10,043.93
Total Building Expense	26,612.47	28,140.00	19,844.00	18,347.66
Total Personnel	7,090.46	6,368.00	4,202.88	4,774.58
Total Operating Expense	2,013.54	1,925.00	1,389.50	1,048.86
TOTAL CHURCH FACILITIES	35,716.47	36,433.00	25,436.38	24,171.10
Total Program	299.16	320.00	0.00	316.67
Total Personnel	46,778.96	48,315.00	30,471.26	30,255.96
Total Operating Expense	350.51	350.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL LEADERSHIP	47,428.63	48,985.00	30,471.26	30,572.63
TOTAL OTHER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	130,680.96	136,682.00	86,391.42	84,404.00
EXCESS/(DEF) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE	853.65	(4,610.00)	(7,047.08)	(2,355.62)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

	Greeters	Flowers
Oct. 7	Vera and Lohr Dixon	Jim and Lorene Lyo
14	Jackie and Cary Matlock	The Hunter Family
21	Edith and Martin Shotzberger	The Barney Family
28	Lou and Ken Harper	Edith and Martin Shotzberger

Ushers

Oct. 7	Mike Mayse, Earl Parker, John Hemphill, Lohr Dixon, Dee Atkinson, Don Williamson
14	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Rob Woody, Floyd Rich
21	Ken Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, John Hemphil, Chris Vickers, Vic Vickers
28	Macon Albertson, Brian Harper, Ryan Harris, Galen Wel Cecilia Welborn, George Troxler

Nursery

Oct. 7	Phyllis Young	21	Betty Blanchard
14	Ann Acquilano	28	Jackie Pendergrass

Child Care During Worship

Oct. 7	Jane McLelland and Ryan Harris
14	Sue Brown and Christy Rich
21	Brian Rose and Beth Tickle
28	Lou Harper and Rob Woody

Church Attendance for September

2	-	109	23	-	162
9	-	140	30	-	136
16	-	160			

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

October 21st. Special Centennial Sunday.

Dr. Rollin Russell, Conference Minister of the Southern Conference of the United Church of Christ, will be our guest preacher. His subject will be "Tales of Faith and Unity: The Evangelical and Reformed Heritage." This is the second in a series of sermons on the various strands that make up the heritage of the United Church of Christ. Scripture will be John 17:1-21. Hymns will include "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty," and "The Church's One Foundation."

New members will be received into fellowship during the service. A pot-luck luncheon will follow in the Parish House.

October 28th.

Dr. Irvine will preach on Matthew 22:34-46. His sermon will be entitled "The Heart of the Matter." Hymns will include "The King of Love My Shepherd Is," "For All the Saints," and "Master, No Offering Costly and Sweet."

November 4th.

The sermon by our pastor will be entitled "False Power and True Power" from Matthew 23:1-12. Hymns will include "When Morning Gilds the Skies," "How Gentle God's Commands," and "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee."

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON TO WELCOME NEW STAFF, NEW MEMBERS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21

October 21st will be a special Sunday in several respects. Dr. Rollin Russell, our Conference Minister, will be the guest preacher in one of our special celebrations taking place across our Centennial Year. A fine group of new members will be received, and after worship we will repair to the Parish House for a pot-luck Fellowship luncheon sponsored by the Evangelism Committee.

At the luncheon we will honor our new staff members who began work with us this past summer: Betty Walker, our Music Director; and Chris Shoffner, our Custodian, and his family (wife Mary and son Chris Jr.). Our newly joined members and our Conference Minister will also be guests of honor.

Come and enjoy this informal opportunity to meet new friends in our church community. Bring some extra food for our honorees!

FIRST THREE DIRECTORS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our research did not go back far enough! We reported in the last issue of the TORCH that our church's first Director of Christian Education was Carol Post in 1971. Several folks with long memories have informed us that there were actually three DCEs employed by this congregation prior to that date: Lulu Browne, Mary Walker, and Dot Foltz.

Around the early sixties, Ruth Dunn and Edith Brannock led the junior high fellowship for four years and Ruth remembers being senior high fellowship for one year. Others who served as youth advisors were Cora Franks and Melva Foster.

ECCC MEN ARE HOSTS TO THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST LAYMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Men of UCC churches in the Burlington area will hold their quarterly dinner meeting in our Parish House at 7:00 PM on Thursday, October 25, 1990. Naturally, our local men will not need to car-pool for this particular meeting- just show up at either door of the Parish House a few minutes before 7:00 PM. The cost of the dinner is $5.00. Earl Danieley is seeing to the details of feeding the group (which usually numbers about 80 to 95 men), with an assist from our women, who are providing dessert. During and following the dinner, the program will include "news spots" by Jim Rosser, Jr., one of our Haw River men, on what some of our local men's groups are doing; introduction of some of the new pastors of UCC churches in the Burlington area; special music by Ray Covington; a brief devotional period; a talk on Wills by Judge D. Marsh McLelland; a brief business session. The meeting can be expected to end at about 8:30 PM.

Christmas Trees Not Available From the Men This Year

The Men's Fellowship wishes to thank those who have supported the sale of christmas trees and poinsettias durin the past two years, and it wishes to thank those men who have made this project possible during these years. For you seasonal planning information, the group has decided not t pursue the project this year.

Paul Cheek

OCTOBER 17	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
18	-	10:00 a.m.	Church Women United Bible Study Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
		7:30 p.m.	Afterschool Committee
20	-	9:00 a.m.	Eastern N.C. Association Meeting Trenton, N.C.
21	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service - Special Centennial Service, Dr. Rollin Russell preaching.
		12:00 noon	Pot Luck Lunch in Parish House
		3:00 p.m.	Centennial Committee
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Missions
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir
		7:00 p.m.	Combined Meeting of Budget Committee and Personnel Committee
23	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
24	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
25	-	7:00 p.m.	District Men's Fellowship Quarterly Meeting
28	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		2:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting
		4:00 p.m.	Church Council
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir
30	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
31	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal

MIDDLE HIGH NEWS

The middle high group will meet to go roller skating on Sunday Oct. 21 from 2-4pm. Cost will be $3.50 per person.

HAUNTED HOUSE

The next YETS fundraiser will be a Haunted House held in the Parish House on Sunday, October 28 from 6-8 p.m.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

If you missed the breakfast you missed some delicious home cooking--Chef Earl Danieley's pastry and baked apples; Tom Conally's bread; Paul Cheek's multi-ingredient pancakes to augment his scrambled eggs and Ray Covington's ham--even some of Lois Bost's delicious fig preserves were on the table. All of that added up to a great breakfast, which was followed by a short business meeting, attended by 19 men. The next breakfast will be Sunday, January 13th. Put it on your calendar!

A LETTER FROM THE FAMILY OF SAM FOSTER

Dear E.C.C.C. Friends,

Your many kindnesses during Daddy's illness this year, and especially during the last few weeks, meant so much to him and to us.

Daddy enjoyed attending church and talking with everyone. `He missed doing that the past couple of years.

Your cards, calls and visits, and all your care and concern after his death have been a blessing and support to us.

Thank you!

Melva Foster and Sara Dodson

CHOIR ROBE CLEANING FUNDS COMPLETED

Thanks to those who have contributed to help pay for the cost of cleaning our choir robes. The original cost was $252.00 of which the Women's Fellowship contributed $130.00. Lois Bost paid the balance of $122.00 and donations to reimburse her were requested. Those donations have totaled $140.00. The overage will be kept as the start of a new fund toward replacing our outworn green stoles. Thanks again!

TORCHGLEAMS

We're happy to report that Earl Vickers returned from a stay at Duke Hospital without having to undergo surgery, and with considerable reassurance...Adelia Truitt was hospitalized over the weekend at Alamance County Hospital but is doing very well...Warren Jeffreys underwent surgery at Alamance Memorial Hospital early this week and appears to be recovering well...Remember these folks in your prayers!

Congratulations to Dan Hamilton, son of our former pastor Dr. Tom Hamilton, and Beth Butler whose Service of Marriage was celebrated October 6 in Macon, Georgia. The couple now live in Augusta, Georgia, where Dan is employed as Assistant District Attorney.

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As of October 15th this year's Neighbors in Need offering stands at $586.00. This offering totaled $718.55 in 1988 and $925.00 in 1989.

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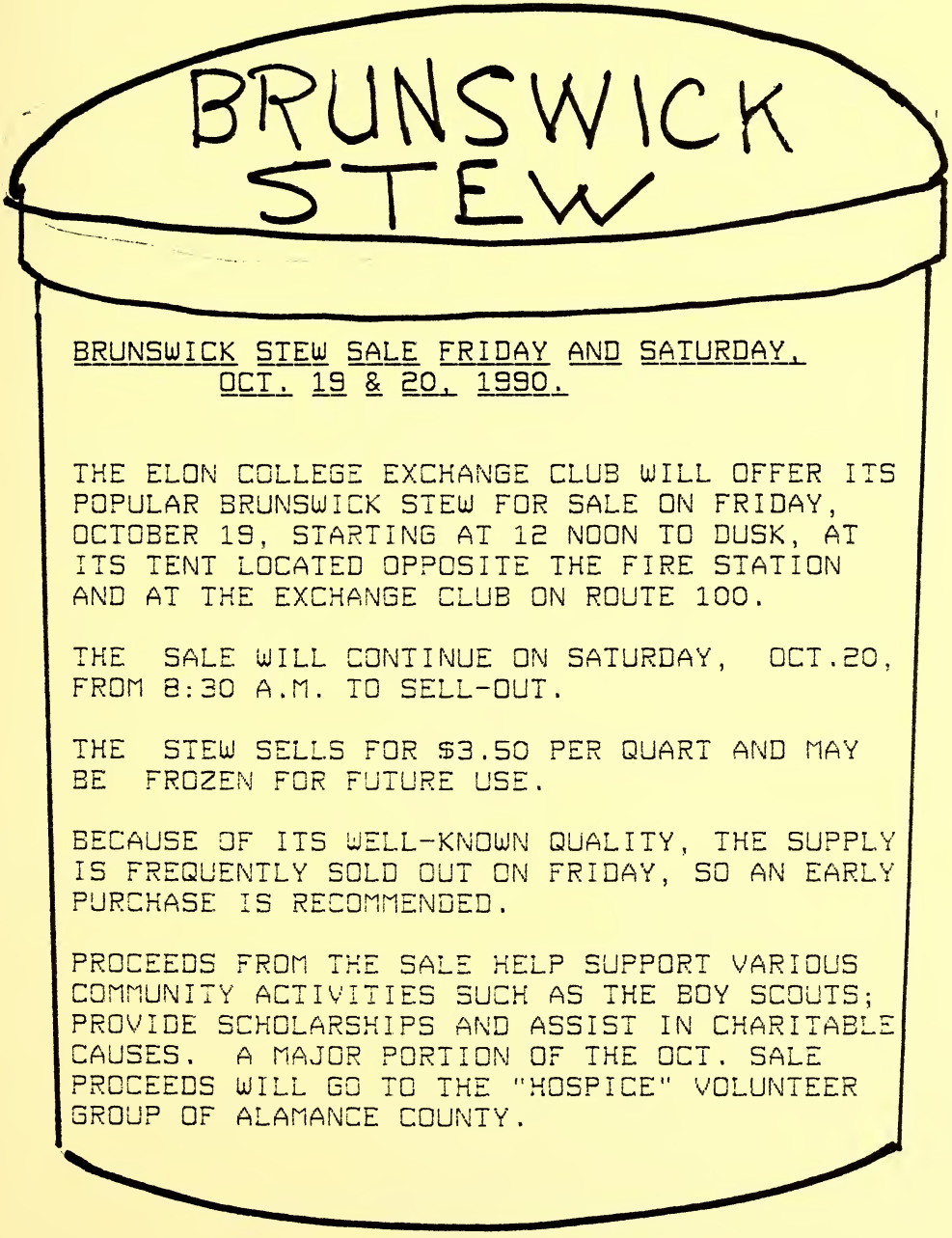

BRUNSWICK STEW SALE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,
OCT. 19 & 20, 1990.

THE ELON COLLEGE EXCHANGE CLUB WILL OFFER ITS POPULAR BRUNSWICK STEW FOR SALE ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, STARTING AT 12 NOON TO DUSK, AT ITS TENT LOCATED OPPOSITE THE FIRE STATION AND AT THE EXCHANGE CLUB ON ROUTE 100.

THE SALE WILL CONTINUE ON SATURDAY, OCT.20, FROM 8:30 A.M. TO SELL-OUT.

THE STEW SELLS FOR $3.50 PER QUART AND MAY BE FROZEN FOR FUTURE USE.

BECAUSE OF ITS WELL-KNOWN QUALITY, THE SUPPLY IS FREQUENTLY SOLD OUT ON FRIDAY, SO AN EARLY PURCHASE IS RECOMMENDED.

PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE HELP SUPPORT VARIOUS COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SUCH AS THE BOY SCOUTS; PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS AND ASSIST IN CHARITABLE CAUSES. A MAJOR PORTION OF THE OCT. SALE PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE "HOSPICE" VOLUNTEER GROUP OF ALAMANCE COUNTY.

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

This liturgical year is winding up during this last month of Sundays after Pentecost. (Advent begins, in December, a new lectionary year and the Gospel readings change from Matthew to Mark.) Winding up, rather than winding down, is the appropriate term, for the last three November gospel lections are the great latter parables Jesus told, as Matthew records them. Dr. Irvine will preach from these rich treasures. The last Sunday of the liturgical year, when we will celebrate communion, is traditionally called the Festival of Christ the King.

November 4th. Elon Homes for Children Sunday.
Dr. irvine will preach on "False Power and True Power" from Matthew 23:1-12. Hymns will include "When Morning Gilds the Skies," "How Gentle God's Commands," and "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee." Mike White of the Elon Homes staff will bring a message from the home and we will receive our annual offering for its ongoing work.

November 11th. Stewardship Sunday.
Our pastor will preach from Matthew 25:1-13, the parable of the Wise and Foolish Virgins, on "Necessary Preparations." Hymns will include "Praise to God, Immortal Praise," "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee," and "O Master Workman of the Race."

November 18th. Thanksgiving Sunday.
The sermon will be on "Using Your Resources" from Matthew 25:14-30, the parable of the Talents. Hymns will include "Now Thank We All Our God," "We Plow the Fields and Scatter," and "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come."

November 21st. Community Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7:00
See the article elsewhere in this TORCH about this.

November 25th. Communion Sunday.
The meditation will be on "The Burden of Privilege" from the parable of the Last Judgment in Matthew 25:31-46. Hymns will include "Crown Him With Many Crowns," "Rejoice, the Lord is King," and "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun.

STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS

The Church Council has approved the tentative budget submitted by the budget committee for 1991. It calls for us to pledge $125,664 compared to the $111,212 which we pledged last year. A copy of the proposed budget is being mailed with this issue of the TORCH. Please study it carefully.

The schedule for our Stewardship Emphasis this year:

November 4 - All boards will meet and board members will sign their pledges
November 11 - The budget will be presented during the church worship service
November 12 - Another mailing will go to members who do not attend on November 11
November 18 - Pledges will be submitted in offering plates during worship
After November 18 - Other members will be asked to pledge
December 16 - Congregational meeting to act on the budget

Please give the proposed budget your careful and prayerful consideration. The church and its wider mission need your enthusiastic support.

Earl Danieley, Secretary
Budget Committee

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THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE EXPANDS TO INCLUDE FOUR CHURCHES

This year's service will be hosted by the Elon First Baptist Church (Morgan Place) in their fine new building which was completed this summer. In addition to the host congregation, participating churches this year will include the First Baptist Church of Elon College, our church, and Shallow Ford United Church of Christ, which joins us for the first time this year. The Rev. Phil Hardy, newly installed pastor of the Shallow Ford congregation, will be the preacher. The choir of the host church will provide music. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. As has been the custom in earlier years, lay people will offer testimonies as to hat they are grateful for at this season. The offering will be sent to the Building Fund of the Allied Churches of Alamance County to help build its new facility.

WE HAVE A MYSTERY!

Every month we have been putting up a display in the Narthex concerning some part of the church's history, for the first two Sundays of the month. October's display was in place for the first Sunday. It consisted of 4 or 5 pieces of paper bearing photographs of youth groups in past years. During the week following that first Sunday, work was completed on the name tag--bulletin board complex, and those sheets of paper with photographs attached were placed on the window well adjacent to that area while the bulletin board was installed. They disappeared from the window well. None of our staff members, including our custodian, Has seen them since. They simply vanished, and several searches have not turned them up. We are therefore out some precious historical records. If you know anything concerning their whereabouts, please let the church office know!

HISTORY OF ELON HOMES FOR CHILDREN

by Mike White

Sixty-five cents and a dream. That was the original seed that was planted to begin Elon Homes for Children. In 1892, a young lady deposited the sixty-five cents into an offering plate at a church meeting and made the statement that she would like for that to grow and become an orphanage. It took several years for the money to grow to the point that the young lady's dream could become a reality.

Elon Homes for Children was opened on January 28, 1907, as the Christian Orphanage by the Southern Convention of Christian Churches and was operated by this organization until 1934 when the Congregational and Christian Churches merged and it became an institution of the Southern Convention of these churches. In February, 1964, the name was changed from the Congregational Christian Home for Children to Elon Home for Children as it had become an institution of the United Church of Christ after the merger and one of the 13 denomination's children's homes. It had been the only child care institution of the Southern Convention of the Congregational Christian Churches.

The Home has had to be aware of the changing needs of the communities, families, and young people it serves in order for its programs and services to be both current and relevant. Since its incorporation in 1907, the Home has had as its primary purpose to serve dependent children. For many years, the Home operated as an orphanage. As demand for service for orphans decreased, the demand for services to neglected and dependent children increased and the Home's program shifted to meet these needs.

Several key dates stand out in the life of Elon Homes:

1892 First seed of sixty-five cents planted and the dream of an orphanage shared.

1907 The seed sprouted and the dream became a reality when Lela May Canada became the first child admitted to the "Christian Orphanage." Rev. James L. Foster became the first superintendent.

1927 Johnston Hall Dedicated.

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1943 Children from broken homes are admitted into care for the first time. Until this time, the children's home had basically taken care of orphans and half-orphans only.

1953 Holt Memorial Chapel dedicated.

1960 Rev. Walstein W. Snyder elected as Superintendent.

1961 Rudd and Montgomery Cottages dedicated. Foster Home program began.

1963 Wisseman Cottage was dedicated. The Compliance Act was signed which signified the desegregation of staff and children.

1965 Vitus R. Holt Day Care Center was opened.

1971 McFarland Activities Building, McEwen Cottage and Harden Cottage dedicated.

1973 Turner Group Home dedicated in Suffolk, Virginia.

1975 Family and Community Service Department opened to provide counseling and parent education programs to the community and to the churches. John G. Truitt Administration Building dedicated.

1979 Powell Cottage dedicated. First task oriented service, Preparation for Independent Living, was begun in Powell Cottage. Elon Home becomes the first children's home in the nation to be accreditated by the National Association of Home's for Children.

1980 The Oaks Group Home for emotionally disturbed children opened in Burlington as the home's second task oriented service.

1983 Other task oriented services of Crisis Care, Positive Youth Development, and Permanency Planning are initiated in the cottages at the Elon Campus.

1985 Boys Town of North Carolina located in Mecklenburg County near Charlotte merged with Elon Home. Task oriented services of Crisis Care, Positive Youth Development and Permanency Planning initiated.

1986 Turner Group Home changes program directions and initiates a new task oriented service of Preparation for Independent Living for Developmentally Disabled Young Adults. First New-To-You Outlet opened in Glen Raven.

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NOVEMBER CALENDAR

4	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	5:00 p.m.	Board of Missions
	6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
	7:30 p.m.	Board of Trustees
	7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education
5	10:30 a.m.	Circle 1
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Court of Honor
	7:30 p.m.	Circle 2
6	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
7	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
11	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	4:00 p.m.	Evangelism Committee
	6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
12	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
13	10:00 a.m.	Fun Club
	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	7:00 p.m.	Committee for a Second Century
14	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
18	9:45 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	5:00 p.m.	Board of Missions
	6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
20	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
21	7:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving Eve Service Elon First Baptist

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NOVEMBER CALENDAR -continued -

22 - THANKSGIVING DAY

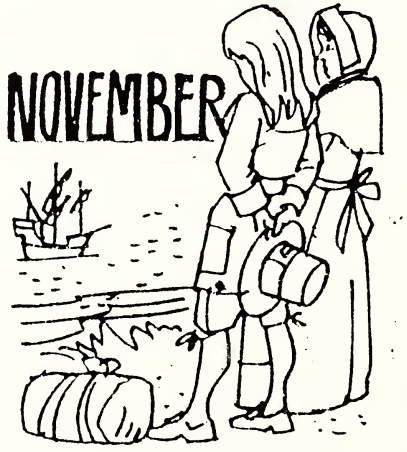
23 - Office Closed for Thanksgiving

25 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Discover Fellowship

26 - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group

27 - 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

28 - 4:30 p.m. Wonderful Wednesdays
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal



1987 Boys Town Campus renamed Fred Kennedy Campus of Elon Homes for Children and girls are admitted for the first time.

1988 Name changed to Elon Homes for Children.

1990 Dr. Walstein W. Snyder retired on August 1, 1990 after 30 years of service.

Richard P. Walker named President/Chief Executive Officer of Elon Homes for Children on August 1, 1990.

A more complete history is available in the book, Building for the Future with Pride in Our Past - A History of Elon Homes for Children.

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TORCHGLEAMS

"All that's left around here are Stadler's and the local churches; are they next?" said one of our members recently, commenting on the difficult times the College, the Home, and Carolina Biological Supply have been undergoing in recent weeks. We certainly hope not! And our hearts go out to our members and friends who have had to bear the brunt of the glare of publicity and a virtually adversarial media atmosphere...Somebody else suffering the media glare, and bearing up well, is the Rev. Dwight Moore; his comments reported in the press have been a credit to this currently most famous of all UCC pastors. Let us be in prayer for all these leaders in their times of difficulty...

Mike Mayse is grateful he crossed the Herbert Bonner Bridge over Oregon Inlet northbound a day before a huge section of it collapsed, or he'd be waiting in a ferry line to end all ferry lines...

Bill Terrell has pneumonia in one lung; he's at Twin Lakes. Pray for his healing...

Many thanks to **Earl Danieley**, who recently transplanted some dogwood bushes from the former yard of the late **Sue Colclough** to beside the front steps of the church to replace some winter-damaged shrubbery...and to **George Edwards** and **Harvey Hook**, who tend to innumerable little odd jobs around the buildings and grounds to keep them up...

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The Lutherans in North Carolina put out a little quarterly on worship, music, and the arts, published down in Salisbury, called Soli Deo Gloria. A recent issue included some "Actual Quotes from Grade School Essays on Classical Music," to wit: "J. S. Bach died from 1750 to the present." "Henry Purcell is a well-known composer few people have ever heard of." "A virtuoso is a musician with real high morals." "Refrain means don't do it. A refrain in music is the part you better not try to sing." "My very best liked piece in the Bronze lullaby."

ANNUAL OFFERING FOR ELON HOMES FOR CHILDREN

This month as we lift up our common history with Elon Homes for Children, we also take our annual offering for their ongoing support. This Sunday, November 4, is the date designated by the Mission Board.

We know the vital ministry provided so well by Elon Homes; we also know that we live in a time of increasing costs. Please give generously. An envelope is provided for your convenience.

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YETS NEWS

A hard working crew of senior highs, the YETS group raised $68.00 from the Haunted House. Thanks to Katie and Jamie Brown, Brian Harper, Ryan Harris, Shawn McKenna, Travis Johnson, Rob Woody, Brian Rose, Beth Tickle, Daniel Doyle, and Macon Albertson, also Rachel, Brandon and Justin.

Our next fundraiser will be leaf raking. If you would like help with your yard in November please contact the church office.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS ON SALE

The Christmas cards sold last year by the Women's Fellowship are still available. They feature a photograph taken at the Movarian Love Feast, and sell for $7.50 per package of 20. The cards are available in the church office.

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Fred Loy, Jr.

4 - Joe Alexander

7 - Betty Shomaker

8 - Kathleen Lankford
Ned Poole

9 - Sarah Hemphill

10 - Patricia Woody
Mike Mayse

11 - J. Fred Young

14 - George Edwards
Gregory Causey
Anna Marie Wilkins

15 - Gladys Hughes
Rebecca Lyon

19 - Brian Harper
Sara Dodson

20 - Jackie Matlock
Margaret Smith

21 - Connie Howard
Ola Overton

23 - Edith Shotzberger

24 - Diane Timblin

27 - Dwight Wall

29 - Nina Matlock

TOYS NEEDED

Over the last few years we've brought many more children into our building on a regular basis: Afterschool, Summer Camp, Mothers' Morning Out and now Wonderful Wednesdays keeps the church humming with activity. There's something else that all of these programs have in common, they all involve children playing, and children like to have new toys from time to time. If you have toys in good condition at home that your children or grandchildren have outgrown, please consider bringing them by the church office. Special thanks to Shannon Albertson who recently brought some toys for the nursery. If you'd like to purchase toys, please see Beth.

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WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

Our Wednesday afternoon program with singing, bells, snacks and fun has been going well. We have 12-15 children and youth each week. They are working on the Christmas pageant and learning to ring bells. We've also had time for fun. The group is building the Castle you see in the primary classroom. Parents are needed to sign up to bring snacks. The list is on the choral center door.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

	Greeters	Flowers
Nov. 4	Susan and Bill Barbee	Caroline Powell
11	Mona and Dee Atkinson	Marsh McLelland
18	Verona and Earl Danieley	M/M Eugene Lankfo
25	Venita and George Edwards	M/M Harvey Hook

Ushers

Nov. 4	Mike Mayse, Earl Parker, John Hemphill, Lohr Dixon, Dee Atkins Don Williamson
11	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Rob Woody, Floyd Rich
18	Ken Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, John Hemphill, Chris Vickers, Vic Vickers
25	Macon Albertson, Brian Harper, Ryan Harris, Galen Welborn, Cecilia Welborn, George Troxler

Nursery

Nov. 4	Nell Snyder	18	Mona Atkinson
11	Susan Hemphill	25	Lou Harper

Child Care During Worship

Nov. 4	Ann Acquilano and Katie Brown
11	Carolyn Messick and Jamie Brown
18	Kim or Steve Perry and Brian Rose
25	Maxine Rich and Rob Woody

Church Attendance for October

7	-	145	21	-	142
14	-	206	28	-	144

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In this November week I hope to survey the church growth field quickly, do some initial reading, and lay out plans for further reading at later times. (Beth will be preaching the following Sunday so that I can give my undivided attention to my studies.)

I have apprised the Personnel Committee, Board of Deacons, Church Council, and Evangelism Committee of my plans, and they have all been supportive. I hope the rest of the congregation will also be.

Weeks when I am away, someone in the church (in addition to Beth, who because of her family situation, might not be able to leave Durham instantly for Elon College) will be available as an emergency contact for pastoral services. During the week of November 26-30 Dr. Bill Andes will be available for this. I thank him for this as well as many other kindnesses to me.

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ELON HOMES OFFERING REPORT

Many thanks for your ongoing support of Elon Homes for Children. Our annual offering for the regular support of Elon Homes totals $602.90 to date. Last year's offering was $597.00. If you have not yet made your contribution, envelopes will remain in the pews through next Sunday, November 18, or you can simply make your check to the church with a notation "Elon Homes".

Also for the benefit of Elon Homes, please remember our Campbell soup label container in the Narthex. In the fall and winter months, we fill and empty it frequently! Before the end of the year we will deliver a third batch to the Home, probably bringing our total contribution of labels for 1990 to more than 1,000. These labels help Elon Homes to acquire many needed items. Thank you!

SOME RECENT MINISTERIAL CHANGES OF INTEREST

Dr. W. W. Sloan has two ministerial foster sons. Both have recently moved to new pastorates.

Dr. and Mrs. Sloan first brought Douglas Albert from Pakistan. While securing his degree from Elon Doug found his wife here. She had been active in the United Church of Christ in Pennsylvania. Doug completed his ministerial training at Lancaster (PA) Seminary. Dr. Sloan helped install him as pastor of a UCC church in Akron, Ohio.

Twelve years ago Dr. Sloan again helped install Doug as pastor of the United Church in Jeannette, Pennsylvania. Recently Doug accepted a call to Immanuel United Church of Christ in Cambridge, Maryland.

The Alberts have a son, an officer in the U. S. Navy, and a daughter recently married. She and her husband are airplane pilots.

Bill Sloan's second ministerial foster son is of Chinese ancestry--John Ling. He received degrees from Elon and from a Presbyterian seminary at Dubuque, Iowa. After marrying a Chinese schoolteacher in Singapore, he became the Methodist pastor in Waverly, Iowa. His wife died three years ago. The Lings had a son and daughter; both are now in high school. Recently John Ling was transferred to a Methodist pastorate in Sioux City, Iowa.

With assistance the Sloans brought two other young people from Pakistan. Both have died in the United States. One, Doug Albert's cousin, became a college teacher. The other, Doug's brother, was teaching medical students in Washington, DC, prior to his death several months ago.

Doug Albert and John Ling have both worshipped with us on several occasions in recent years and continue to visit Dr. Sloan from tiem to time.

GENERAL SYNOD XVIII

For the first time ever, and the only time for many years to come, the national meeting of the United Church of Christ will be held in the bounds of the Southern Conference. All the churches in the conference have been asked to contribute $1.00 per member in each of two successive years to help defray the cost of hosting our wider church family in this biennial gathering, to be held in Norfolk in the summer of 1991. With approximately 375 members, our fair share amounts to $375 this year plus $375 in early 1991. Our offering earlier in 1990 amounted to $171, leaving a balance of $579 to be given by early 1991.

The Mission Board has designated next Sunday, November 18, to receive the balance of our 1990 assessment. It would be even better if we oversubscribed and made a 1991 offering unnecessary! Please make your check payable to Elon College Community Church, with a notation for "General Synod".

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CHRISTMAS CARD REMINDER

If you were not able to use the Christmas cards with the Moravian Love Feast photograph last year (they arrived quite late), consider using them this year. The $7.50 per package of 20 is all profit for the church. The cards are available in the church office.

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TORCHGLEAMS

Death visited our congregation repeatedly this past week. We grieve with **Holt Sutton** and his family; his wife **Evella** died at home on November 6th after a long illness, and her funeral was held at the church November 8th with burial in the Bethlehem Church cemetery in Altamahaw. **Betty Shomaker's** mother, Mrs. Mona L. Murray, died at Twin Lakes on November 5th and was buried November 8th at Pine Hill Cemetery. On November 10th **Carolyn Messick's** father, Harold Nelson of Plymouth, NC, died suddenly; she and her son **Brinkley** left for Plymouth that same evening to join their kin there. As if that weren't enough, **Mabel Veazey's** sister, Susie Smith of Shenandoah, VA, also died that day. Mabel left Monday for a Tuesday afternoon funeral. Our deepest sympathy to each of these families...

Adelia Truitt suffered a severe stroke on November 6th and is hospitalized at County Hospital; we're glad to report some signs of improvement. **Evelyn Terrell** is hospitalized but feeling some better at Alamance Memorial Hospital, still undergoing tests. **Virginia Richardson** had another fall and is in one of the respite rooms at Twin Lakes but seems chipper. **Earl Vickers** seems to be tolerating a reduced medical regimen after his visit to Duke Hospital and is hoping to get back to the Outer Banks for some fishing before the fall run ends...

Congratulations to **Steve Perry**, a Patrol Sergeant with the Gibsonville Police Department, who was recently awarded the Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate. This is the highest award the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education Standards Commission gives for dedicated service, education, and in-service training awarded to full-time law enforcement officers throughout the state. Steve was one of 13 officers (from a field of 89) to receive the award at the Attorney General's office in Raleigh on November 2nd...

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

14	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
18	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir
		7:30 p.m.	Committee for a Second Century
20	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
21	-	7:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving Eve Service Elon First Baptist
22	-		THANKSGIVING DAY
23	-		Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving
25	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		6:00 p.m.	Discover Fellowship
		7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir
26	-	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
27	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
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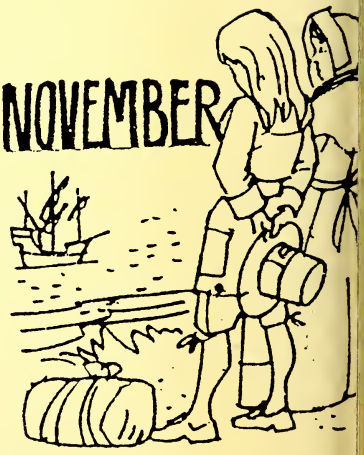

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

December 2nd. First Sunday in Advent.

11 a.m.: The scriptures are Mark 13:32-37 and Isaiah 63:16-64:8. Rev. Lyon's sermon is entitled, "Stay Awake." Hymns are "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night," "Comfort, Comfort Ye My People," and "Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying."

7:30 p.m.: Annual Moravian Love Feast Service sponsored by Elon College. Our choir will sing.

December 9th. Second Sunday In Advent.

Our choir will present a special musical Christmas program. The Adult Choir will present Saint-Saens' "Christmas Oratorio" as the centerpiece of morning worship. Guest organist for this work will be John Coffey of Hickory, NC, who was Mrs. Walker's first organ student. (There will be no sermon.) Hymns will include "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence," "In the Bleak Midwinter," and "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel."

December 16th. Third Sunday in Advent.

11:00: Dr. Irvine will preach on "A Wilderness Voice" from John 1:6-8, 19-28. Our adult Handbell Choir will play during morning worship. New members will be received. After worship there will be a congregational meeting to approve the budget and elect officers and board members for 1991. Afterwards there will be a pot-luck lunch in the parish House to honor our new members. Hymns are "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates," "On Jordan;s Bank the Baptist's Cry," and "Joy to the World."

7:00: Our children's choir and the young musician's choir will present the Christmas musical "Getting Ready for the Miracle" by Linda Rebuck and Tom Fettke.

December 23rd. Fourth Sunday in Advent

Details of this service will be in the next TORCH.

December 24th. Christmas Eve.

We will have a 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve family service. Details in the next TORCH.

HISTORICAL NOTES FROM THE CHOIRS

"It was in 1891 that the Elon College Christian Church - the forerunner of our present Elon College Community Church - came into being. In the beginning, the congregation met in the auditorium in the Admistration Building at the college. Music for worship services was provided by college personnel, during the school year at least.

As a rule, the head of the music department was a pianist - later an organist. Voice teachers and outstanding voice students constituted the choir. This service was expected, even required, of all these people. From time to time other students and/or community singers joined them, strictly on a voluntary basis. With or without supplementary performers, the choir was not very large, its number averaging about fifteen. Robes were not used, but it is thought that the women of the group wore hats which could be considered creations.

In 1903 the college acquired a two-manual pipe organ, pumped by hand. About 1919 the college installed an electric pipe organ. This was destroyed when the Administration Building burned in 1923.

In 1946, when Dr. Jesse Dollar became our church's first full-time minister, he launched the idea of a regular church choir, to be organized on a permanent basis and to be more or less independent of the college chorus. When this plan was adopted the first steps were faltering. But with hard work and perseverance, the group forged into a unified choir with a sense of identity and group pride.

This choir then was available - often on the briefest of notice - to fill the void created when the college chorus was absent. Moreover, when the congregation moved into its own sanctuary in 1959, the choir was there." (Excerpts from article by Mary Graham Mackintosh, published in The Torch - June 16, 1976).

Elon College Community Choir was called Citizen's Choir when it was organized in May, 1947. The Church Bulletin reads: "A Citizen's Choir has been organized and will furnish music for our church services during the summer. The choir will consist of about thirty (30) voices. The choir will also provide music on Sundays that the College Choir is away. Officers were elected as follows: President - Prof. J. W. Barney, Director - Mrs. Leroy Hughes; Assistant Director - Mrs. Della Scott; Pianist - Mrs. T. H. Mackintosh." Pastor, Jesse H. Dollar

Plans to purchase 30 robes for the choir were underway in November of 1954. Members worked to raise funds by having bake sales, a turkey

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supper, and helped by individual donations to raise $480.00 to pay for the robes that were ordered December 1, 1954. The total was in hand by the time the robes arrived and were worn for the first time on January 2, 1955. (The price of each robe was (a huge) $16.00 each) Mary Sue Colclough rendered as a solo "The 91st Psalm" for this important occasion. Mrs. T. H. Mackintosh was director and Miss Shirley Cox was organist.

March 21, 1956 - The Ladies of The Circles contributed materials and made choir robes for the Junior Choir of 30 children.

The Elon College Community Church held its first worship service in the new church building on August 16, 1959. By this time the children's choirs and the senior choir were singing for all services. When the new church was constructed, a pipe organ given by Elon College was installed.

In May, 1977 a committee was appointed to plan for a new pipe organ and in March, 1978 that committee recommenced the purchase of a Cassavant pipe organ. A contract was secured for $65,100.00. Pledges were received and church bazaars were held in 1977, 1978 and 1979 to raise funds for the organ. May, 1980 the new organ arrived and it was used for the first time June 8, 1980.

The senior choir, in addition to weekly rehearsals and singing for church services, enjoyed a number of special activities:

1976 - Blowing Rock Assembly Grounds - 2-day retreat for intensive rehearsal and fellowship.

July 4, 1976 - Colonial American Program - in Colonial dress and using hymns and music of that period.

March, 1983 - Trip to Vienna, Austria, Switzerland and Germany - Concert given in Germany.

April, 1985 - Three-Church Choir Concert - David Vaughan was Choir Director.

October, 1986 - "Flip Side of The Choir" under the direction of organist/choir director, Dr. Stephen Ten Eyck, also using favorite songs of 20's, 30's, and 40's.

Over the years our church has been most fortunate in having able and dedicated directors of the senior choir: Mrs. Mary Graham Mackintosh, Mr. Charles Lyman, Mr. Jack O. White, Mrs. Jeanette Hassell, Mr. George Cannon, Mr. Everette Thurman, Mrs. Mary Alice Bragg, Mr. David Vaughan, Dr. Stephen Ten Eyck and Mrs. Betty Walker.

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Historical Notes From The Choir - continued -

During the past few years, the senior choir has been enhanced by college students, when college is in session. The fellowship and devotion of the choir members is an integral ingredient to the choir's contribution to the worship services.

Lois Bost
Melva Foster

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THANKS FOR THE OFFERING

Elon Homes for Children is grateful for the offering received on November 4 and thereafter now amounting to $742.90. With a budget of 2½ million dollars each year, the offering is most appreciated.

Also, thanks for those gifts pledged to CHIP II, $1,000 each year for three years, which will be used for renovations and endowment funds.

W. J. Andes

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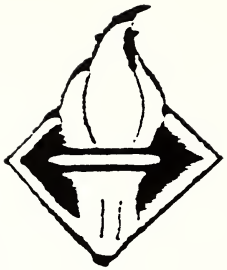

TORCHGLEAMS

Seems like Novembers are a month of difficulties in our church family, at least the last two. The murder on the night of November 23rd of Willie and Alma Gilliam in their home on Route 87 north left bereaved folk in our church: Alma was **Holt Sutton's** sister, and Willie was the first cousin of **Juanita Loy.** We grieve with these folk.

Paul Cheek came through double surgery on November 20th well and is steadily improving back at home, we're glad to say...

Evelyn Terrell is at home and doing better after her recent stay at Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill...

Dorothy Clem seems to have recovered very swiftly from her stroke...**Adelia Truitt** is slower in her recovery. She is still at County Hospital...

Our sympathy to **Florance Smith** in the recent loss of her elder sister, Mrs. Fannie Belle Hughes Coleman of Burlington, who died November 12th after several years of declining health and several days of acute illness...

Sympathy is extended to **Ralph and Hilda Oxford** who had two recent deaths in their extended family. Please keep them i your prayers as well.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On October 21 we received some new members. Here is a little information about these folks to help you get to know them better.

Jimma and **Monte Causey**, their daughter **Chris**, and son **Greg** return to us from Mississauga, Ontario. The family also includes Jimma's son, Jack, who is a senior at Elon College, majoring in business administration. They were members of the church before they moved to Canada. Jimma is the daughter of Virginia and Warren Jeffreys. Jimma works as a clerk for the state Department of Transportation and likes to knit and do arts and crafts. She will soon be joining the Board of Missions. Monte works for Crown Crafts Inc. in Roxboro. He's a member of the Exchange Club and likes to fish and hunt. Chris and Greg are students at Elon Elementary. Chris is an acolyte, and both she and Greg are part of our Young Musicians group.

Eileen McKenna moved to Elon College from Pittsburg, Pa. when her husband Fran was transfered by Alcoa to its local subsidiary, Permatech. Her son **Shawn** joined the church last December as a confirmand and both he and his sister **Tara** are active in the youth groups. Eileen is no less involved than her children. This is her second year as a church school teacher. Currently she works with middle highs. Eileen works at Elon College for ARA food services. She likes reading, hiking, working out, and going to the beach. She is especially fond of animals. Their household includes 3 cats, a 14 year old dog, a parrot, a cockatoo, and a true parakeet.

Barry, Linda, and Elizabeth Raker have moved to Elon College from Winston Salem, N.C. Barry is Executive Dierector of the United Way of Alamance Co. and an ordained United Methodist Minister. Linda is Director of DDA Services for Ralph Scott Group Homes, Inc. and is working on her Masters of Public Health Administration. She also plays in our newly formed bell choir. Their daughter Elizabeth is a senior at Western High School where she is a member of the swim team, FHA, SADD, and the Spanish club. She has a cat named Puddin and sings in our choir. Elizabeth hopes to become a nurse.

Betty Walker is our choir director and organist. She comes to us from Union Ridge UCC where she has been the organist since she came to Elon in 1979. She is a native of Florence, S.C. and a graduate of Meredith College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. She has served churches in Lenoir, Wilson, and Elizabeth City. She and Jack Walker run the Walker Dance Studio. Betty is also the Administrative Assistant at the Burlington Day School. She teaches piano and still manages to find time to have one of the most beautiful flower gardens in town.

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WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - MEN INVITED TOO!

The quarterly meeting of the Women's Fellowship will be held Monday evening, December 10 in the Updyke Choral Center. Our special guest(s) will be Doug and/or Denise Long, speaking on the subject "Who Cares? - Habitat Folks!" The Rev. Doug Long is former pastor of St. John's United Church of Christ and succeeded our own pastor as president of Habitat for Humanity of Alamance County. His wife Denise was employed by the Southern Conference as Program Associate for Christian Social Ministries. Doug and Denise and their two children moved in late August of this year to the Habitat for Humanity headquarters in Americus, Georgia for three months of training to become Habitat International Partners. They have now returned to this area for a few weeks of speaking engagements before leaving for Mexico where they will serve their three year term as International Partners.

Because some of the men and young people as well as some of the women in our congregation have been involved in Habitat's local work and many know Doug or Denise personally, we are extending an invitation to all interested persons to join with the Women's Fellowship for this program. We will begin at 7 p.m. with the Business meeting and refreshments, with the program scheduled for 7:45. Come, join us for as much of the evening as you are able!

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DECEMBER CALENDAR

2	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		4:00 p.m.	CHURCH COUNCIL
		4:00 p.m.	Executive Board of Women's Fellowship
		7:30 p.m.	Love Feast
4	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
5	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
9	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		4:00 p.m.	Middle High Group
		5:30 p.m.	Christmas Caroling
		7:00 p.m.	Board of Deacons
10	-	10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
		7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship
11	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
12	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
13	-	7:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
15	-	10:00 a.m.	Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
16	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
			Congregational Meeting
			Pot Luck Lunch
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Missions
		7:00 p.m.	Children's Christmas Pageant
18	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
23	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
24	-	7:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service

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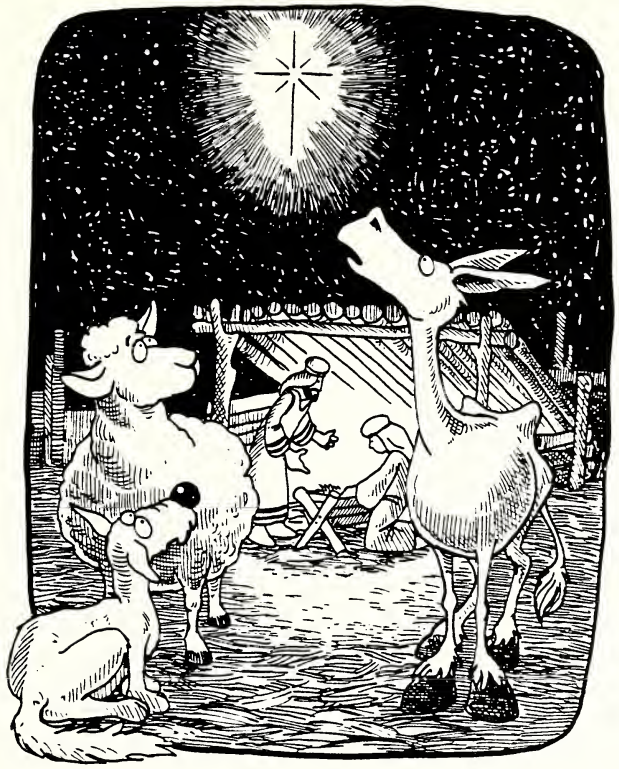
December Calendar - continued -

30 - 9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service



ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16th AT 7:00 P.M. OUR CHILDREN'S CHOIR AND YOUNG MUSICIAN'S CHOIR WILL PRESENT "GETTING READY FOR THE MIRACLE" IN THE SANCTUARY. BRING A PLATE OF COOKIES TO SHARE FOR REFRESHMENTS AFTERWARDS IN THE PARISH HOUSE.

BRUNSWICK STEW SALE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Nov. 30 & Dec. 1, 1990

The Elon College Exchange Club will offer its popular Brunswick Stew for sale on Friday, November 30, starting at 12 noon to dusk, at its tent located opposite the Fire Station and at the Exchange Club on Route 100.

The Sale will continue on Saturday, December 1, from 8:30 a.m. to sell-out.

The Stew sells for $3.50 per quart and may be frozen for future use.

Because of its well-known quality, the supply is frequently sold out on Friday, so an early purchase is recommended.

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GETTING READY FOR OUR CENTENNIAL

April 14, 1991 is the celebration of 100 years as the Elon College Community Church. A Centennial Committee has been at work for some time.

When the Church Council appointed a Committee on Centennial Fund last April (The Committee is now known as The Committee for a Second Century, the Committee sought suggestions from individuals and Boards of the Church. Two needs came to the top almost immediately:

1. We need people.
2. the need to "do something to the Parish House."

Need No. 1 was discussed and referred to the Committee on Evangelism of the Board of Deacons. That Committee under the chairmanship of John Hemphill is at work developing a program that is far reaching into the second century. Dr. John Irvine, Jr., pastor, is studying this week at Union Seminary in Richmond the groundwork and theological basis for evangelism in the local church. He will attend a seminar that the UCC has in Florida in January to augment his present study. Evangelism will need our best support.

Need No. 2 the Parish House was assigned to the Trustees and through them to an Ad Hoc Committee, composed of people who had served through 10 to 15 years on Parish House renovations. These 25 to 30 people met as a group and in several task forces through this fall. They met with Fire and Building Inspectors. The summary of their findings is being detailed by a smaller committee (Harvey Hook, Hilda and Ralph Oxford, Biff Brafford) and is in the hands of several contractors for estimates and bids.

The Ad Hoc Committee recommended to the Trustees that Parish House renovations be done in two stages:

1. Before Christmas 1990, install double doors on each end of the Parish House (along with a vestibule at the north end and other items). This will help meet fire regulations. Install vinyl siding on the outside and this should improve the appearance and give insulation.
2. After Christmas and before April 14, renovate the inside of the Parish House to satisfy fire and building regulations, to provide additional space and to update the kitchen.

The Church Council will consider these plans on December 2 and the Church will consider the plans on December 16. All of this takes money. A Capital Funds Campaign is tentatively set for March 3 - 17, 1991. Advance gifts would certainly be appreciated.

W. J. Andes
Committee for Second Century

SOME MORE QUOTES FROM STUDENT MUSIC EXAMINATIONS

Agnus Dei was a woman composer famous for her church music.

Handel was half German, half Italian, and half English. He was rather large.

Beethoven wrote music even though he was deaf. He was so deaf he wrote loud music. He took long walks in the forest even when everyone was calling him. I guess he could not hear so good. Beethoven expired in 1827, and later died from this.

Aaron Copland is one of your famous contemporary composers. It is unusual to be contemporary. Most composers do not live until they are dead.

When a singer sings, he stirs up the air and makes it hit any passing eardrums. But if he is good, he knows how to keep it from hurting.

Music sung by two people at the same time is called a duel

I know what a sextet is, but I'd rather not say.

Caruso was at first an Italian. Then someone heard his voice and said he would go a long way. And so he came to America.

A good orchestra is always ready to play if the conductor steps on the odium.

Probably the most marvelous fugue was the one between the Hatfields and the McCoys.

My favorite composer is **Opus.**

A harp is a nude piano.

Everyone is encouraged to go caroling on Sunday, December 9 from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. The Board of Christian Education will provide refreshments afterwards in the Parish House.

The Middle Highs will meet at 4 p.m. on December 9 to see the last part of The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Paul Cheek
Phyllis Young

3 - Helene Ellis

4 - Jim Griswold
William Gabriel

7 - Sherleen Smith Corne
James Keith Lyon

8 - Jane Young
Jean Simons

10 - Warren Jeffreys
Marie Wilkins

11 - Jane Danieley Shutt
Keith Fogleman

12 - Wes Reynolds

14 - A. M. Primm, Sr.

15 - Billy Beyer

17 - Gladys Smith

18 - Beverly Oxford

23 - Corinna Hope Martin
Miranda Jo Rich

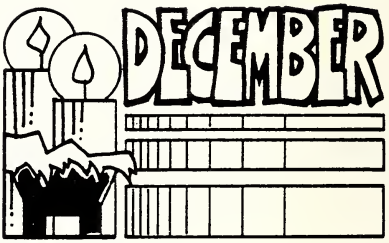
25 - Caryl Schmidt

26 - Charles Wilkins

28 - Jeffrey Shumar
Elizabeth Mayse

30 - Ann Martin

31 - Melanie Artley



ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
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Total Interest Earned	1,278.35	1,045.00	522.50	1,080.50
Total Fund Raising	302.45	550.00	25.00	184.01
Total Rental Income	2,736.85	4,100.00	2,379.14	2,389.60
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	1,944.88	1,715.00	1,435.50	2,024.40
TOTAL REVENUE	131,534.61	132,072.00	98,433.64	100,778.08
EXPENDITURES				
Total Local Mission	3,165.58	4,000.00	2,920.00	3,449.52
Total UCC Ministries	15,910.57	16,850.00	13,600.00	11,009.25
Total World Ministries	1,360.00	2,050.00	1,950.00	2,238.38
Total Other Mission Expense	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
TOTAL MISSIONS	20,436.15	22,950.00	18,520.00	16,697.15
Total Worship Services	1,507.06	860.00	726.25	890.94
Total Evangelism	468.37	500.00	480.00	313.51
Total Music Programs	10,902.76	10,612.00	8,011.96	7,384.40
TOTAL WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM	12,878.19	11,972.00	9,218.21	8,588.85
Total Program - Christian Ed.	4,386.20	5,300.00	3,982.64	3,253.28
Total Personnel - Christian Ed.	9,835.32	11,042.00	9,066.86	9,174.14
TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	14,221.52	16,342.00	13,049.50	12,447.97
Total Building Expense	26,612.47	28,140.00	24,012.00	22,902.38
Total Personnel	7,090.46	6,368.00	5,285.44	5,722.21
Total Operating Expense	2,013.54	1,925.00	1,657.25	1,636.21
TOTAL CHURCH FACILITIES	35,716.47	36,433.00	30,954.69	30,260.80
Total Program	299.16	320.00	0.00	316.67
Total Personnel	46,778.96	48,315.00	39,393.13	39,233.67
Total Operating Expense	350.51	350.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL LEADERSHIP	47,428.63	48,985.00	39,393.13	39,550.34
TOTAL OTHER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	130,680.96	136,682.00	111,135.53	107,545.11
EXCESS/(DEF) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE	853.65	(4,610.00)	(12,701.89)	(6,767.03)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

	Greeters	Flowers
Dec. 2	Mary and W. E. (Buster) Butler	M/M Jim Starr
9	Susan and John Hemphill	M/M Biff Brafford
16	Fran and Harvey Hook	Mark McAdams
23	Gladys and Leroy Hughes	M/M Sibyl White
30	Ellie and John Ketcham	M/M Dee Atkinson

Christmas Wreaths: Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Powell III

Ushers

Dec. 2	Mike Mayse, Earl Parker, John Hemphill, Lohr Dixon, Dee Atkins Don Williamson
9	Steve Perry, Brian Rose, Robin Woody, Rob Woody, Floyd Rich
16	Ken Harper, Louis Wilkins, Beth Wilkins, John Hemphill, Chris Vickers, Vic Vickers
23	Macon Albertson, Brian Harper, Ryan Harris, Galen Welborn, Cecilia Welborn, George Troxler.
30	Ed Simons, Jeff Wilkins, Walter Boyd, Jim Lyon

Nursery

Dec. 2	Maxine Rich	23	Marie Wilkins
9	Verona Danieley	30	Heidi Danieley
16	Lorene Lyon		

Child Care During Worship

Dec. 2	Cecilia Welborn and Jamie Brown
9	Marie or Jeff Wilkins and Daniel Doyle
16	Louis or Kristin Wilkins and Brian Harper
23	Jane McLelland and Ryan Harris
30	Sue Brown and Christy Rich

Church Attendance for November

4	196	18	156
11	172	25	129

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LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

December 16th. Third Sunday in Advent.

11:00: Dr. Irvine will preach on "A Wilderness Voice" from John 1:6-8, 19-28. Our adult Handbell Choir will make its performing debut during morning worship. New members will be received. After worship there will be a congregational meeting to approve the budget and elect officers and board members for 1991. Afterwards there will be a pot-luck lunch in the parish House to honor our new members. Hymns are "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates," "On Jordan;s Bank the Baptist's Cry," and "Joy to the World."

7:00: Our children's choir and the young musician's choir will present the Christmas musical "Getting Ready for the Miracle" by Linda Rebuck and Tom Fettke.

December 23rd. Fourth Sunday in Advent

Our pastor's sermon will be on "What's at the Center?" from Luke 1:26-38. Carols to be sung include "O Come, All Ye Faithful," "What Child is This?" and "Angels We Have Heard on High."

December 24th. Christmas Eve Family Worship, 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Irvine will have a story sermon. Carols will include "Angels From the Realms of Glory," "O Little Town o Bethlehem," and "Silent Night."

December 30th.

The Rev. Beth Lyon will be preaching. Scriptures are Psalm 111, Isaiah 61:10-62:3, and Luke 2:22-40. Hymns will include "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," "Thou Didst Leav Thy Throne," and "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks."

January 6th, 1991.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed. Beth Lyon will lead worship. (Dr. Irvine will be attending a UCC Pastor's Convocation in Orlando; he will be back in the office on January 11th. He will be leaving for Florida the afternoon of December 29th.) More details in the next TORCH.

CONGREGATIONAL LUNCHEON AND MEETING THIS SUNDAY

We will be receiving new members at morning worship December 16th, and a congregational pot-luck luncheon is planned to honor them after worship. After the meal, the regular December meeting of the congregation will be held in the Parish House for the purpose of voting on the proposed Budget (see article elsewhere in this TORCH) and for electing officers and board members for 1991. Full information concerning these matters will be available at worship Sunday.

Also, there will be opportunity for questions from the congregsation to the Committee for a Second Century, whose plans for Parish House renovations are also given in this issue of the TORCH.

1991 OFFICERS OF LAYMEN'S (CHURCHMEN'S) FELLOWSHIP

We express appreciation to the 1990 officers of our Churchmen's Fellowship (President, Paul Cheek; Vice President, Ray Covington; Secretary, Gayland Welborn; Treasurer, Jim Griswold) as they conclude their tenure, and we express appreciation to all those men who have helped the organization to function during the year. We invite the full support of our men for the officers who were elected at our October 14 breakfast meeting to serve in 1991: President, Ray Covington; Vice President, Gayland Welborn; Secretary, Earl Parker; Treasurer, Jim Griswold.

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THE MEN'S LENTEN '91 RETREATS

The Christian Education Commission, Southern Conference, United Church of Christ, is sponsoring a retreat at Franklinton Center on February 16-17, 1991, and again at Blowing Rock Assembly grounds on March 16-17, 1991, with the theme IN WHOSE IMAGE; leadership is by Dr. Richard N. Rinker, Associate Conference Minister for Christian Education. Included is discussion, quiet meditation, Bible study, and small group interaction, on such topics as - how do we perceive ourselves as men? - our own faith development. The retreats begin at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday (Friday evening arrival suggested) and conclude with lunch on Sunday. The $40 cost includes five meals (not Friday dinner), overnight Friday and Saturday, and program materials. Each retreat has a limit of twenty men. Registration forms are available from our Church office, from Ray Covington and Paul Cheek.

Paul Cheek

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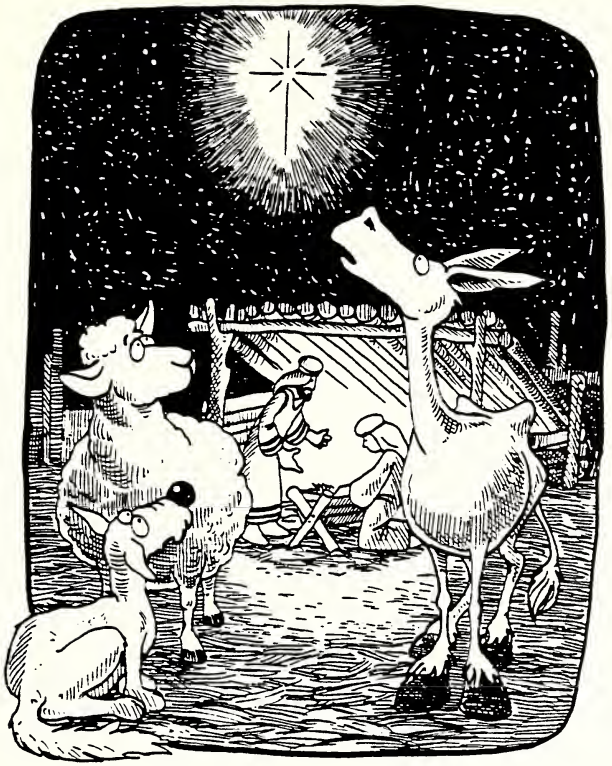

ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16th AT 7:00 P.M. OUR CHILDREN'S CHOIR AND YOUNG MUSICIAN'S CHOIR WILL PRESENT "GETTING READY FOR THE MIRACLE" IN THE SANCTUARY. BRING A PLATE OF COOKIES TO SHARE FOR REFRESHMENTS AFTERWARDS IN THE PARISH HOUSE.

AN INVITATION

Bill and Carye Andes invite you to a celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, December 29th, at the Parish House. (No gifts, please.) Their son writes, "Whether or not you can attend the anniversary celebration, you are invited to send letters addressed to Bill and Carey expressing your remembrances, sentiments, well wishes, etc. These will be compiled into an album and presented to them at the celebration. Please send your letters to

The Andes
c/o Krueger-Andes
99 Clinton St., A-6
Concord, NH 03301

The letters need to be received by December 21 in order to insure their inclusion. Thank you for your contributions."

THE CHRISTMAS FUND

The Christmas Fund of the United Church of Christ provides us the opportunity to remember the clergy and lay professionals, as well as their families, who have devoted their lives to the ministry of the Church. This annual appeal supports the Emergency Fund, which covers unexpected medical and other expenses when they occur in the lives of our active and retired ministers. But that is not all the Christmas Fund does. The enclosed brochure explains more about how our gifts are used in behalf of the pastors and lay workers who have served us so faithfully.

This year, our church will receive the Christmas Fund Offering on Sunday, December 23. The offering at the Christmas Eve Service will also go to the Christmas Fund. The Mission Board hopes you will give generously to this very worthy cause. Make checks to Elon College Community Church earmarked for the Christmas Fund. (Envelope enclosed.)

Ruth H. Dunn
For The Mission Board

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GETTING READY FOR THE CENTENNIAL: PARISH HOUSE RENOVATION

In the last issue of the TORCH, the Committee on Renovations of the Parish House proposed two stages: Before Christmas and After Christmas, 1990. It proved impossible to get the "Request for Bids" completed in time for this sequence to be followed.

Thus, the small committee on securing bids suggested that a "New Request for Bids" be developed to include the total Renovation for the Parish House. The Board of Trustees will be given this "New Request for Bids" at their meeting on December 13th and will make recommendations to the congregation later.

In this issue of the TORCH we include four sketches of the proposed changes to be made in the renovation, showing:

1. A floor plan of the Parish House that concentrates on the changes at either end (and is therefore much foreshortened in the main room part of the building), showing the addition of a vestibule and new front porch to provide space inside for coats and/or storage. This will provide an improved exterior appearance and enable the interior to be more open.

2. Proposed changes showing an exterior view of the north side of the building (viewed from Haggard Avenue).

3. Proposed changes in the kitchen.

4. Proposed changes in the interior (a full floor plan of the internal part of the building) which will give us more space in the main hall and improve safety. These changes will meet fire regulations, provide double doors at each end, remove the stairs from their present position to open up the back hallway, and relocate the stairs to the lounge area at the southeast corner.

Additional comments and proposed changes should be given members of the small committee: Ralph and Hilda Oxford, Biff Brafford, Harvey Hook, Kathleen Lankford, and W. J. Andes.

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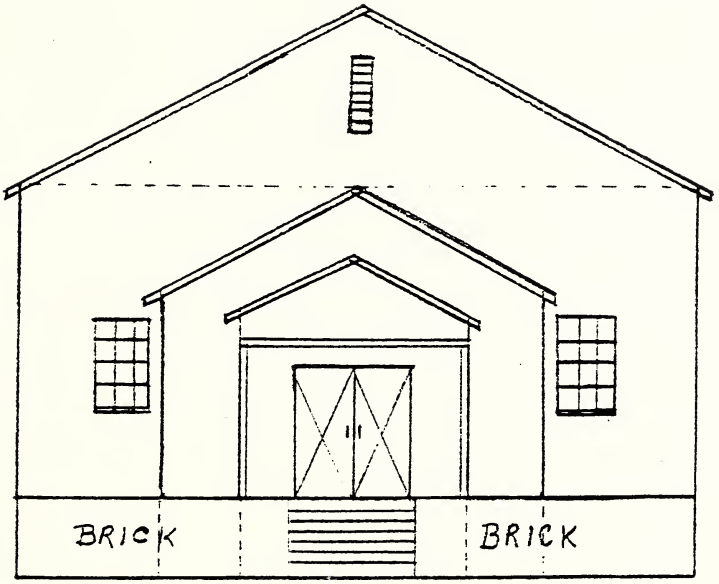
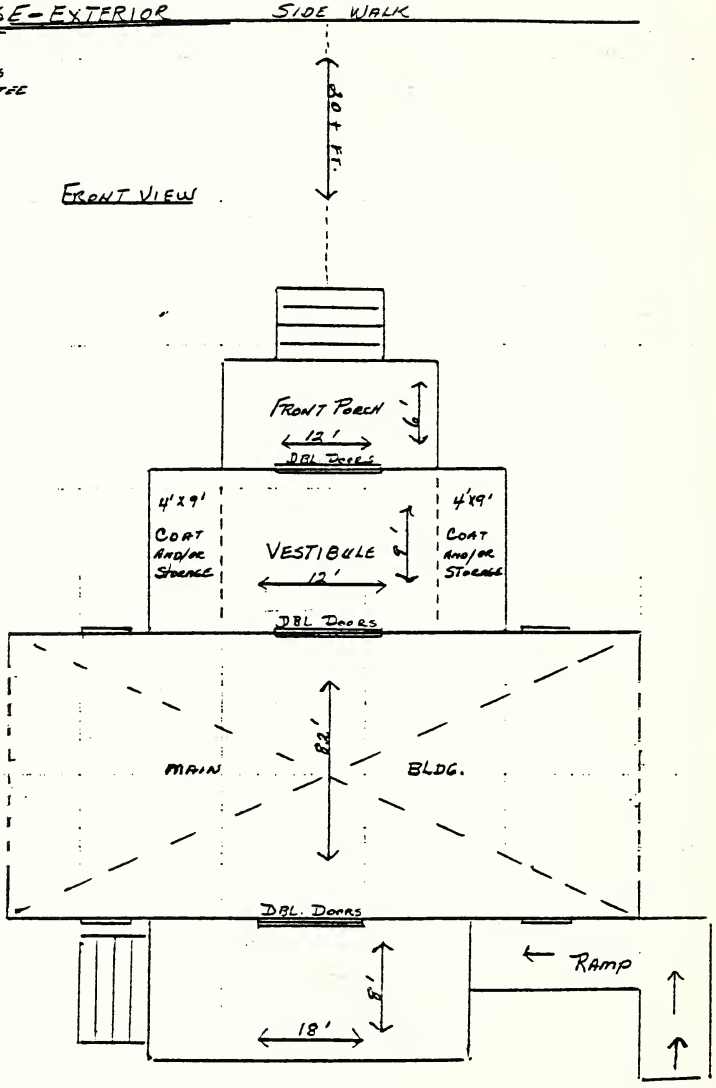


Parish House Front

Proposed Changes

Parish House - Exterior

Per. W.J. Andes
And Committee



REAR VIEW

Hilda L. Crawford
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PARISH HOUSE - INTERIOR

PER - W.J. ANDES
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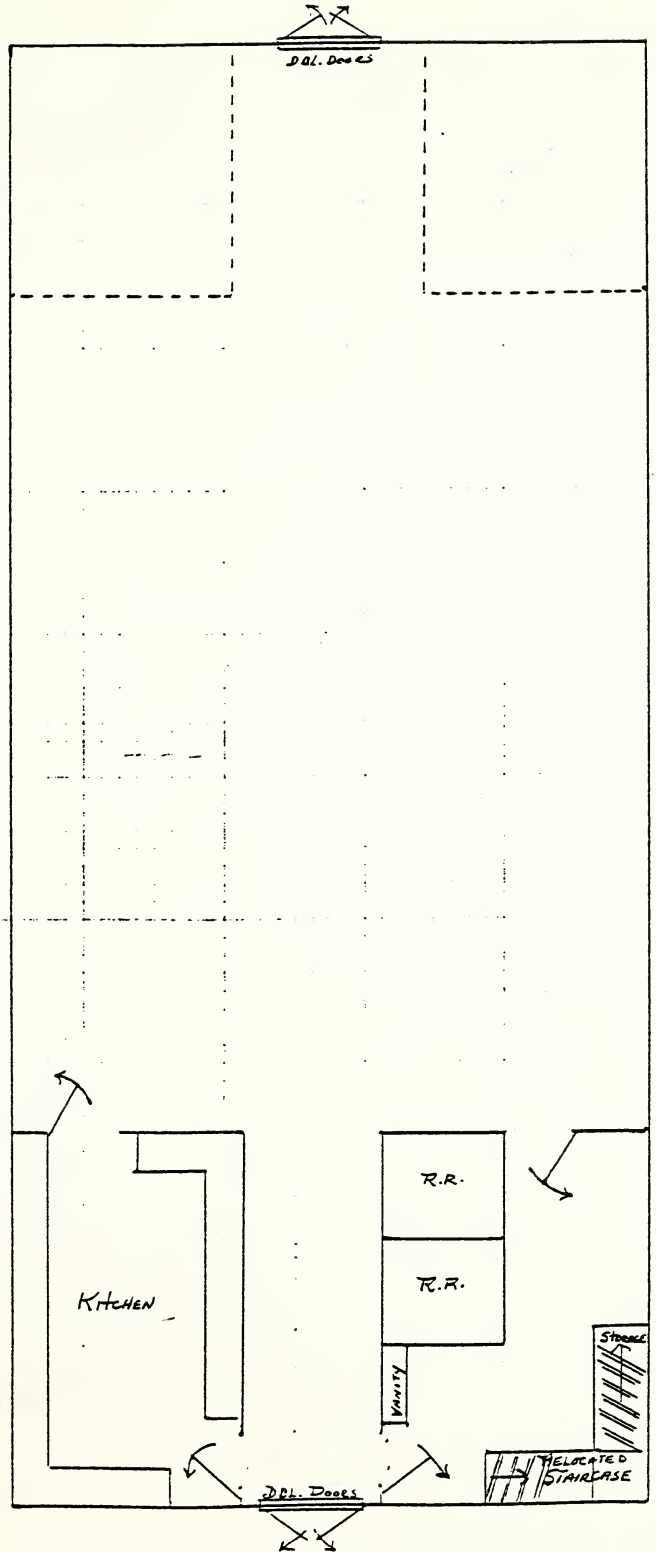

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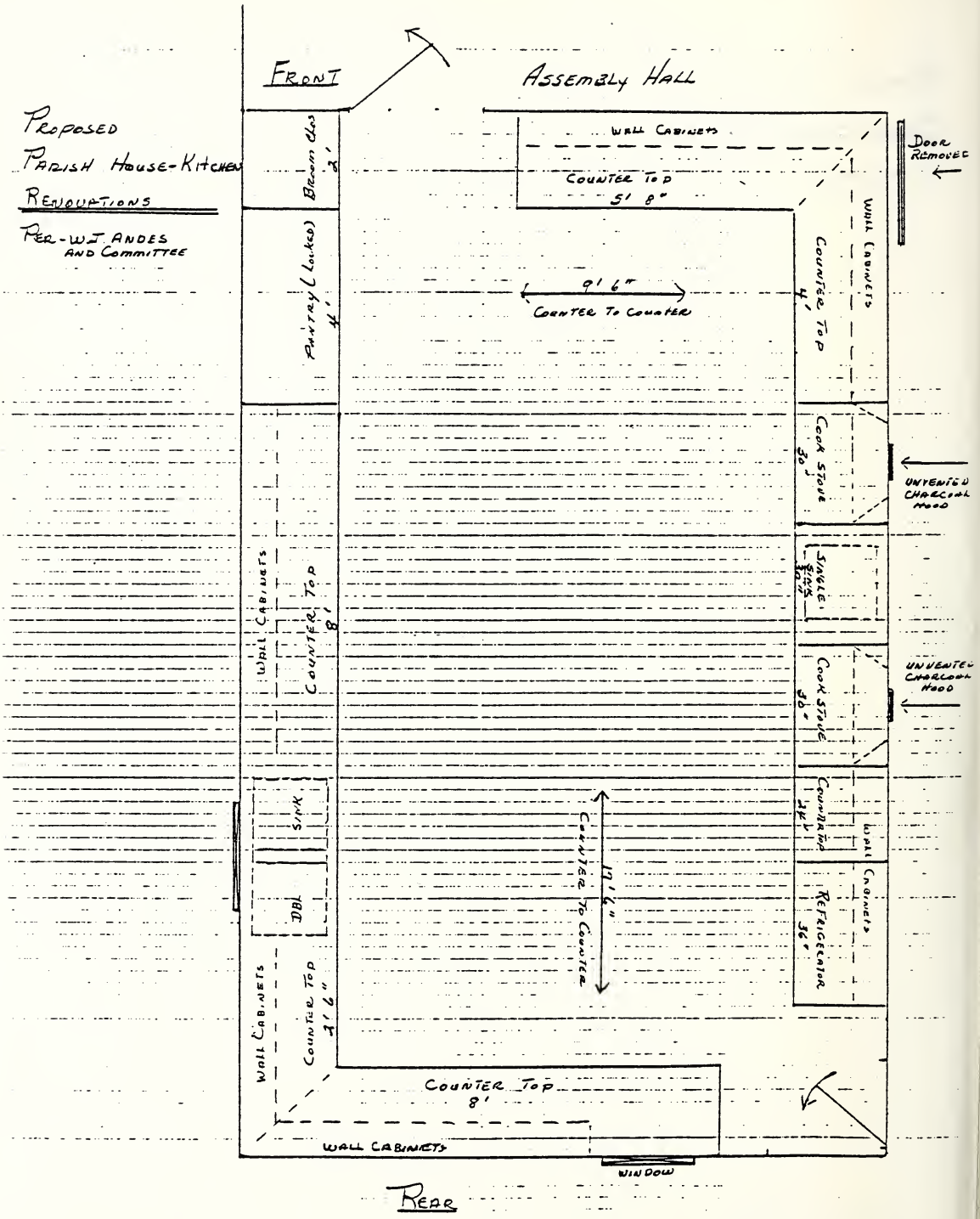

HILDA L. OXFORD
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OUR 1991 BUDGET

On the reverse of this page is a summary of the 1991 Budget together with comparisons of the 1990 Budget and 1989's actual results. This budget was approved by the Church Council on Sunday, December 9th. On Sunday, December 16th, after the pot-luck luncheon in the Parish House to honor new members joining that day, we will have our annual December Congregational Meeting to vote on the new budget and officers and Board members for 1991. This financial forecast will, if approved, be our operating road map for the year ahead. Detailed copies of the full budget will be available at worship next Sunday for your perusal before the voting.

The church's membership has been very generous this year with the Estimates of Giving that have been submitted. These show a sizable increase over 1990, and have been sufficient so that we, by and large, have been able to honor the spending forecasts submitted by the various Church boards without change. These estimates are substantial enough so that this could be done and still allow us to show a small operating surplus for the year. For all of you who have made estimates of giving, and particularly for those who have been able to increase their estimates from last year, the church is most grateful.

With respect to 1990, our financial statement has been printed and can be reviewed elsewhere in this TORCH through the month of November. For the year, the membership approved a budget that allowed a budgetary deficit of $4,610.00--through November, that deficit was $4,267.96, some $2,000 less than we forecast through the eleventh month. Since December is the Church's best month for receiving income, we expect that the deficit will be reduced below our forecast still farther. If you would all bring your estimates of giving up to date in December, you will help the Church in this.

If you have any questions, pelase don't hesitate to raise them at the meeting on December 16th; we hope you will attend.

John Ketcham, Church Treasurer
For the Budget Committee

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OUR CHRISTMAS CHEER FAMILIES FOR 1990

Case #501

Age	Clothing	Shoe Size
F 29	9-10	7½
F 21	Large (18-20)	8½
M 5	Child 6	12 Child
F 2	4T	7
M 1	4T	6½

Needs clothes and toys.

Case #507

F 27	Large shirts, 14 other	7
F 4½ mos.	12 months	2 infant
F 22 mos.	3 T	4 child

Needs toys, would like dollhouse.

Case #510

F 27	11 pants, Med. top	9½
F 9	11S pants, 7-8 blouse	7½
F 2	4 T - 5 T	8½
M 6 weeks	Infant	

Toys.

Case #523

F 29	Extra large	7½
F 10	Child's large	6
M 7	7-8	2
F 4	5	11 child

Needs oil, food, clothes and toys. Has an Aunt living with family.

Please bring food, clothing, toys, etc. to the Church. Make checks payable to the Women's Fellowship.

DECEMBER CALENDAR

12	-	4:30 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesdays
		7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
13	-	7:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
15	-	10:00 a.m.	Children's Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
16	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		12:00 noon	Congregational Meeting Pot Luck Lunch
		2:30 p.m.	Dedication of Habitat's Ninth House on W. Moreland Street just off Sharpe Road
		7:00 p.m.	Children's Christmas Program
18	-	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
23	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
24	-	7:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service
30	-	9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship Service

TORCHGLEAMS

Louis and Beth Wilkins have had a phone call from their son **Andre** whose ship is on a break from its duty in the Red Sea ("board and search" duty to enforce the blockade against Iraq). His ship went through the Suez Canal and docked at Haifa in Israel. Andre was able to visit the Pyramids in Egypt and to enjoy some shore leave in Israel.
He would have liked to have touched Lebanese soil--he is a native of Lebanon--but getting there from Israel was too problematic. Andre hopes to be discharged in February as his term of enlistment is ending; so far, his enlistment has not been extended. Andre's address is: HT2 P. Andre Wilkins, USS Moosbrugger, DD 980 FOP Miami, FL 34092. Why don't you send him a note or a Christmas card?...

Wedding bells will be ringing early in the new year for **Sheree Smith** of Yanceyville and **Rick Pedigo** of Martinsville, VA. The couple will live in Yanceyville.
Congratulations!...

Adelia Truitt died at midnight on December 3rd. She had suffered a severe stroke four weeks earlier. Our deep sympathy to the Truitt family...

Thanks to the Tan and Toil Garden Club (of which **Jackie Matlock** is currently president) for providing the wreath on the door of the Parish House; and to **Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Powell III** for the wreaths on the sanctuary front doors. Thanks also to **Carey Andes, Earl Parker, Gayland Welborn, and Louis Wilkins** for their work in decorating the sanctuary for the Advent/Christmas season. Everything is lovely!...

Thanks also to the four groups of carolers who went out on the 9th to spread some cheer, one group in each "quadrant" from the crossroads where the church is located. Even Santa Claus went along with one of the groups! And thanks to **Ray Covington and Earl Danieley**, who prepared the fruit baskets that were taken to some of the folks who listened.
And still more thanks to **Susan Hemphill** and her Board of Christian Education helpers who had refreshments waiting for the carolers at the Parish House on their return...

Scheduled for surgery this week: **Steve Perry** and **Josie Huey.**

Barry, Linda, and Elizabeth Raker have moved to 90 Heath Court in Gibsonville. Their new telephone number is 449-6383. We wish them much happiness in their new home..

Bertha Phillips' daughter **Pat Bason** underwent heart surgery at Duke last week, with repair of both a valve and a "hole" and bypass. She came through the operation successfully. Remember her in your prayers. Also, **Stephanie Redding**, who will be joining our congregation on December 16th, asks prayers on behalf of her grandmother
Ruth Gilmore of Asheboro, who recently suffered a heart attack, and whose convalescence has not been smooth...

Your
church
staff prays
for each of you
holidays
filled with joy,
gifts given and received
with merriment,
and a deepening sense
of the peace of Christ each day
in our common ministry here in Elon
all
through
the new
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John Irvine

Betty Walker

Bill Lyon

Roberta Starr

Christopher Shaffner

Good News,
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SOURCES OF INCOME				
Total Pledged Income	114,762.85	115,002.00	100,301.74	97,047.5
Total Special Contributions	7,730.14	6,660.00	5,890.00	6,681.1
Total Loose Offerings	2,779.09	3,000.00	2,610.00	2,703.2
Total Interest Earned	1,278.35	1,045.00	522.50	1,175.1
Total Fund Raising	302.45	550.00	25.00	229.0
Total Rental Income	2,736.85	4,100.00	2,404.14	3,013.1
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	1,944.88	1,715.00	1,565.50	2,461.5
TOTAL REVENUE	131,534.61	132,072.00	113,318.88	113,310.8
EXPENDITURES				
Total Local Mission	3,165.58	4,000.00	2,980.00	4,190.9
Total UCC Ministries	15,910.57	16,850.00	14,500.00	12,515.2
Total World Ministries	1,360.00	2,050.00	1,950.00	2,238.3
Total Other Mission Expense	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.0
TOTAL MISSIONS	20,436.15	22,950.00	19,480.00	18,944.6
Total Worship Services	1,507.06	860.00	726.25	1,025.1
Total Evangelism	468.37	500.00	498.00	401.9
Total Music Programs	10,902.76	10,612.00	8,756.92	8,403.4
TOTAL WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM	12,878.19	11,972.00	9,981.17	9,830.6
Total Program - Christian Ed.	4,386.20	5,300.00	4,034.64	3,572.
Total Personnel - Christian Ed.	9,835.32	11,042.00	9,902.22	10,066.
TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	14,221.52	16,342.00	13,936.86	13,659.
Total Building Expense	26,612.47	28,140.00	26,028.00	24,599.
Total Personnel	7,090.46	6,368.00	5,794.88	6,173.
Total Operating Expense	2,013.54	1,925.00	1,783.25	1,723.
TOTAL CHURCH FACILITIES	35,716.47	36,433.00	33,606.13	32,496.
Total Program	299.16	320.00	0.00	316.
Total Personnel	46,778.96	48,315.00	42,550.01	42,331.
Total Operating Expense	350.51	350.00	175.00	0.
TOTAL LEADERSHIP	47,428.63	48,985.00	42,725.01	42,647.
TOTAL OTHER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.
TOTAL EXPENSE	130,680.96	136,682.00	119,729.17	117,578.
EXCESS/(DEF) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE	853.65	(4,610.00)	(6,410.29)	(4,267.

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